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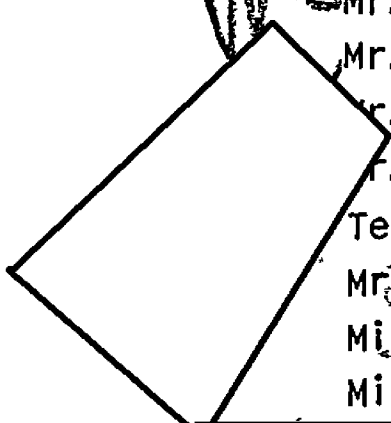


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Freedom Riders - Me

Honorable J. E. Hoover,
 please Read this peices of
 news paper Clippings. I
 have seen the Colored
 news paper, where Down in
 Alabama the grey Hound
 Busses go in to states and
 Colored people and ministers
 Ride on those Busses as
 Freedom Riders. its the white
 Class of men in Alabama
 that destroyed and Burnt
 Busses, not the Colored people
 Cause the picture in one news
 paper showed the white class
 of ^{men} people picking a Colored
 minister in the stomachs
 and that aint no nice thing
 for them to Do. all the time.
 it might be the plane showing
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Rap Judge, Cop For Action In Rioting On The Westside

By ADOLPH J. SLAUGHTER

The Fillmore District police station and two police officers, one from the Austin District (28th), were severely criticized this week for their performance in the Westside race riot, last Friday, in which more than 100 persons participated, but which resulted in the arrest of only negroes involved.

The Civil Liberties Union, calling the incident "disgraceful" lodged a protest with the police department against officers Kenneth Arens (badge no. 10231) and Timothy Nolan (6569), of the Austin District station.

Arrested by police following a "free-for-all" in Garfield Park were Mrs. Annie Pittman, 31, of 3902 W. Wilcox, her two sons, Curtis, 14, and Alton, 15, and a third teen-ager, Milton Lenon, 15, of 3822 W. VanBuren st.

Mrs. Pittman has filed complaints against the police officers charging they called her and other Negroes "niggers" and other derogatory names.

WHITES ATTACK NEGROES

According to reports, the melee began when Brian Pittman, a 12-year old son of Mrs. Pittman, was attacked by two white youths while delivering papers in the vicinity of Fulton and Hamlin aves., a predominantly white neighborhood.

Brian had taken his six year old brother, Stanley, and two

other youths to help him deliver papers. When the boys were attacked by white youths, Stanley ran home and reported the incident to his grandmother, Mrs. Mary Jackson, mother of Mrs. Pittman.

Mrs. Jackson said she called police at Fillmore district who came to her home, but told her they didn't have time to go looking for Brian, "but if they hear about it, they would send him home."

Mrs. Jackson and her grandson, Alton, decided they would go and search for Brian who then had been given refuge by one of the white subscribers on his route.

Mrs. Pittman, who was at home at the time, said she, too, went to look for Brian when she returned home. Curtis and Stanley accompanied her, she said. While out, Stanley saw the two original white youths who had attacked Brian and his brother earlier, and Mrs. Pittman said she went

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ed to move from his Lincoln Park West apartment because he had Negro guests. The owner of the building who lives in the suburbs himself, reportedly told the executive that he did not want Negroes in that building, even as servants.

In addition to the owner, the executive who took the case to court, said that the neighbors taunted him because he had Negro friends. In court, the executive agreed to move after being awarded about \$1,000 for the humiliation he had undergone.

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Mrs. Marjorie Pierce, an order typist at Inland Steel's East Chicago (Ind.) Harbor Works, called to report the refusal Monday of the Auditorium Grill, located at 3436 Main st., East Chicago, to serve her and another Negro girl co-worker.

Mrs. Pierce, of 1400 Jackson st., Gary, said she and Miss Earle Flynn, a file clerk, of 3822 Euclid, East Chicago, waited in vain for more than an hour after a waitress had practically ignored their presence.

The victim of the act of discrimination said she called the grill later and asked whether it was their policy to refuse service to Negroes. The answer was in the affirmative.

Mrs. Pierce said white co-workers who witnessed the incident expressed their shock and deep regret.

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On June 29, 1961 around 8:30 p.m., a friend who works in downtown rides the Halsted bus to and from work was waiting for a bus at 55th and Halsted to ride to Normal Blvd. While standing there he said a gang of about eight white boys came up to him and said "nigger you are lost." He said he just stood there and said nothing. Again one of them said, "nigger" did you hear what I said? So he replied that he had just got off from work and was en route home. He said they told him, "well nigger you are lost over here," and began to attack and beat him. The only thing he could do was to run. He outran them, but not before they took his glasses and other items.

The same thing happened to me in the summer of 1957 over at 57th and Halsted. This goes on every summer and nothing is done about it. It is useless to report it to the police. They know about it, but don't care. But yet they come over here in the Negro neighborhood and ride around all day and night but where they are needed, you can't find not a one.

This is not Alabama or Mississippi—this is Chicago. Most of the Negroes here in Englewood act as if they are not concerned about what's happening. But to me it is a serious and dangerous situation. If the Negroes would cooperate and stick together, we could break it up. But two or three cannot do it all.

Milton.

None of the whites, many of whom were still standing there with bricks, bottles and clubs in their hands, were arrested, Mrs. Pittman added.

The mother said Officer Nolan told her: "you niggers ain't got no business on the north side of Lake street, anyway. You pushed us out of this school (Edward C. Delano elementary school, 3937 W. Wilcox) and now you're trying to push us out of this neighborhood."

'LET'S TRY NIGGERS'

At Fillmore Ave. station, the Pittmans said they were taken up to a room on the second floor (which is a courtroom during the day). There, officer Kenneth Arens, simulating the judge, reportedly grabbed a gavel laying on the desk, pounded the desk and hollered: "let's try these niggers, now."

Mrs. Pittman said a red-

went to see her son, Alton at the Audy Home, but an officer there told her she could not see him, she said, because he stated she was drunk.

The mother who said she had had nothing to drink said the officer then muttered something about her "signing complaints against police officers." She said she wondered how he knew she had signed a complaint.

A woman matron then made her walk a straight line, Mrs. Pittman said, and after telling the officer she had not been drinking, allowed her to see her son, Alton.

On Monday morning, July 3, Mrs. Pittman was tried in Woman's court on the charges of assault and disorderly conduct signed by Ferris. She said the Judge (J. J. Butler) heard Ferris' story and that of the policeman and immediately found her guilty.

'SHOOT THEM'

She said Judge Butler asked the policemen if they were attacked by Mrs. Pittman and her sons and when the policemen answered yes, the Judge asked "why didn't you shoot them."

Judge Butler is reported to have said from the bench, that his father was a policeman and that he would have shot them. The judge is then reported to have added that if he had been on the street, he would have shot them.

Butler then fined Mrs. Pittman the maximum penalty, \$200 fine, and when she couldn't pay it, sent her to jail to work out the fine at \$2 per day at the House of Correction.

On Wednesday, Referee Hartman, sitting in the Audy Home, continued the case against the Pittman boys until July 21, at 9 a.m.

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THOMAS STANFORD (left) is led away by Det. James Crowell (center) while handcuffed to Carl (Sundown) Loving following inquest into the death of Thomas Mason, 15, of 4440 Drexel blvd., who was

shotgunned to death during a fight in front of 4458 Drexel recently. The jury recommended they be held on charges of murder. (Photo by Tony Rhoden).

Grand Jury Action Seen For Trio In Shotgun Death

A coroner's jury Wednesday recommended that three teenagers involved in the shotgun slaying of a 15-year-old DuSable High school freshman be held to the grand jury on murder charges.

Recommended held for grand jury action were

Samuel Rhodes, 19, 4239 Evans ave., Thomas Stanford, 16, 4327 Drexel blvd., and Carl Loving, 16, of 737 E. 43rd st.

They are accused of slaying Thomas Mason, 15, of 4440 Drexel blvd., as the youth and his 19-year-old brother, Leon-

ard, were returning from a dance held at 4523 Cottage Grove ave.

Rhodes allegedly admitted to police that he fired the fatal shot and, during questioning,

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simple way hadn't believed what they read in school — perhaps the "all-white primary" would have been accepted. But the fact is they knew that the Constitution and its subsequent amendments gave them, too, the right to register and vote.

Twelve militant Negro leaders, therefore, filed suit against the Democratic Committee of the County — charging they had been barred illegally from exercising their franchise. They won the suit and the

war was on! It was urgent, to capsule Negro strength and organize the Original Civic and Welfare League of Fayette County.

REGISTER TO VOTE

The League's first job was to get more Negroes registered to vote. From off the farms and plantations; from close by; and from the remote districts of the County — Negroes flocked to the courthouse in Somerville to register!

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to them and asked why they attacked her sons.

Their reply was that the Negroes had no business in the neighborhood, Mrs. Pittman said.

FATHER PUSHES FIGHT

Mrs. Pittman said the father of one of the white youths suggested that her son, Curtis, fight his son on the spot. The two boys fought and when it was over and she and her sons attempted to leave the neighborhood, they were attacked by a crowd of whites who had gathered on the scene.

Bricks, bottles and stones followed their retreat, Mrs. Pittman said, until they were halted in the Garfield Park area by other whites who had lined the streets.

The police drove up at this time, Mrs. Pittman reported, and one of the officers fired a shot into the ground. Officer Nolan who was then identified only by his badge number (6569) reportedly said: "Don't a nigger move," whereupon he then began to manhandle the Negro youngsters.

SWINGS BAT

While the police were on the scene, a spectator, later identified as Alvin Ferris, of 3647 Pine Grove ave., reportedly got out of his car, came up on the grassy area and picked up a bat and swung it at Mrs. Pittman and her son, Curtis. The bat struck Mrs. Pittman on the arm, the mother said, and hit Curtis in the head.

At this point Alton Pittman who was being held by police broke loose and attacked Ferris who, by then, was being pummeled by Mrs. Pittman and Curtis. It was then, Mrs. Pittman explained, that police arrested her two sons, and

headed officer whom she could not identify called Arens aside and spoke to him, whereupon Arens then came to her and asked her if she heard him use any derogatory remarks. When she replied, "yes," Arens reportedly stated, "well, you can't prove it," and then left the room.

By this time, about 7:30 p.m. Curtis Pittman, sr., 32, husband of Mrs. Pittman, said he arrived at Fillmore station and requested permission to sign a complaint against Ferris for striking his wife and son with a bat.

CAN'T SIGN COMPLAINT

Sgt. Edwin Bidwell (1154) reportedly on duty at the time, allegedly told Pittman he could not sign a complaint until AFTER COURT. The sergeant then booked his wife, Pittman claimed, on disorderly conduct and simple assault.

The Pittman boys, Curtis, jr. and Alton, along with Milton Lenon, were charged with fighting and turned over to juvenile authorities. On the way to the Audy Home, police stopped at Garfield hospital where doctors looked at the injury on Curtis' head (acquired from the bat incident) and released him.

But at the AUDY Home, officials refused to accept Curtis until police had a statement from Cook County hospital stating that Curtis' injury was not serious.

But the police, not wanting to travel to County hospital, the father said, took the boy back to Fillmore station and called his parents to come for him. On Saturday, July 1, Curtis passed out at home.

Rushed to a private doctor, his parents were told he had a fractured skull and should be taken to Children's Memorial hospital. Saturday afternoon, Mrs. Pittman signed complaints against the police.

CAN'T SEE SON

On Sunday Mrs. Pittman

Supt. Wilson

Some of your policemen do not understand that this is Chicago and NOT Mississippi.

Is there a double standard of "justice" in our city?

When a policeman tells a few Negroes, whose only desire is to cool off in Lake Michigan, to leave a beach because he CANNOT protect them or control the white hoodlums, law and order has broken down in Chicago.

When a Negro asks a policeman for help and the policeman replies "I don't know what side I'm on," it's time for SIT-INS in Chicago.

Supt. Wilson, your order of last week to the Police Department left the whole question of mob control up in the air. You did NOT direct the policemen what to do when faced with incidents like Rainbow Beach or the helpless fire victims.

IT'S VERY SIMPLE, ask the crowd to disburse in accordance with the law, and if they don't, CALL THE WAGON and LOCK THEM UP. This order is long overdue.



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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, NEWARK /157-603/
FROM SAC, LITTLE ROCK /157-111/ 1P *FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS*
FREEBUS DASH RM. RE MEMPHIS TELETYPES TO BUREAU AND LITTLE ROCK
JULY TWENTY INSTANT. FREEDOM RIDERS GROUP ARRIVED LITTLE ROCK
FOUR THIRTYEIGHT PM TODAY AND ATE IN BUS TERMINAL WITHOUT INCIDENT.

[REDACTED] PHONED LITTLE ROCK OFFICE FIVE
PM STATING ARRIVED WITHOUT INCIDENT AND HOPEFUL GROUP COULD RETURN
TO NEWARK BY PLANE AS THEY WERE TIRED OF RIDING BUSES. [REDACTED]
LATER PHONED OFFICE STATING HE AND [REDACTED] DEPARTING LITTLE
ROCK BY PLANE EIGHT FIFTY TONIGHT TO NEW YORK VIA MEMPHIS AND
OTHER THREE STAYING LITTLE ROCK AND WOULD DEPART BY PLANE AFTER-
NOON OF JULY TWENTYONE NEXT. [REDACTED] LEFT LITTLE ROCK
VIA AMERICAN AIRLINES EIGHT FIFTY PM. LOCAL AUTHORITIES ADVISED
OF PLANS OF DEPARTURE OF OTHER THREE. LITTLE ROCK WILL SUTEL
AFTER DEPARTURE ON JULY TWENTYONE NEXT.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, NEW ORLEANS

FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /157-140/ 1P

FREEBUS, RM. RE MEMPHIS TEL JULY TWENTY LAST. FOUR WHITE STUDENTS IDENTIFIED RETEL ARRIVED GREYHOUND TERMINAL, MEMPHIS ELEVEN TWENTY PM JULY TWENTY, CAUSED NO INCIDENT, AND DEPARTED MEMPHIS VIA GREYHOUND BUS NUMBER FOUR FIVE THREE THREE, BEARING CURRENT TENNESSEE LICENSE TWO A ONE ONE EIGHT A AND ILLINOIS LICENSE X NINE THREE FIVE, ONE FIFTEEN AM, JULY TWENTY ONE, DUE ARRIVE JACKSON, MISS. FIVE THIRTY FIVE AM JULY TWENTY ONE. RE TWO MALE STUDENTS, ONE TALL, SLENDER, GANGLY, DREAMY LOOKING, OTHER FIVE FEET SEVEN OR EIGHT, DARK HAIR, CHECKERED SHIRT. RE TWO FEMALE STUDENTS, ONE BLOND HAIR TIED PONYTAIL FASHION, LONG, OTHER FEMALE DARK HAIR, OLIVE COMPLEXION, MUCH SHORTER THAN BLOND. ALL FOUR APPEAR TO BE TEENAGERS OR EARLY TWENTIES. P.

NEW ORLEANS TO BE ADVISED.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, LITTLE ROCK

FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /157-140/ 1P

FREEBUS, RM. REMETEL TO BUREAU AND L.R. INSTANT DATE. THE FIVE
"FREEDOM RIDERS" DAPARTED MEMPHIS, TENN., AT TWELVE FORTYFIVE PM
INSTANT DATE. BUS NO. ZERO THREE SEVEN ZERO, DESCRIBED IN
RETEL. WILL ARRIVE LITTLE ROCK FOUR FORTYFIVE P.M. CST. NO
INCIDENTS OCCURRED MEMPHIS.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI *O* FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS
FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157--348

FREEBUS. REMYTEL JULY TWENTY. RE GROUP TO LEAVE JACKSON FOR
WASHINGTON D. C. [REDACTED] ADVISES THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED HIM NIGHT OF JULY TWENTY THAT THIS GROUP HAS
APPOINTMENT FOR TWO PM JULY TWENTYONE WITH AG ROBERT KENNEDY.
ADDITIONAL NAMES OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP AS FURNISHED BY

[REDACTED] ARE - REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, [REDACTED] NORTHERN
CALIF. COUNCIL OF CHURCHES, [REDACTED]
UNIVERSIAL ZION CHURCH, PALO ALTO, CALIF., AND [REDACTED]
CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA. ALSO FOR INFO BUREAU FR PRISONER
ELMER L. BROWN REFERED TO IN MY TEL JULY TWENTY, DID NOT MAKE
BOND NIGHT OF JULY TWENTY DUE TO CHANGE IN PLANS AND ACCORDING
TO HINDS COUNTY SO IS NOW SCHEDULE TO BE RELEASED TO ATTORNEY
ON BOND SEVEN FORTYFIVE AM CST JULY TWENTYONE.

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FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /157-140/

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FREEBUS, RM. FOUR WHITE STUDENTS LEFT NASHVILLE, TENN., FIVE
TWENTYFIVE PM THIS DATE VIA GREYHOUND BUS. THEY ARE EN ROUTE
JACKSON, MISS., BY WAY OF MEMPHIS AND WILL ARRIVE MEMPHIS TEN
FIFTEEN PM AND SHOULD ARRIVE JACKSON FIVE THIRTY AM. WILL TEST
FACILITIES AT JACKSON BY GOING IN NEGRO WAITING ROOM. THESE
INDIVIDUALS ARE [REDACTED]

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Maynor to have resident
Agent call Bureau from Jackson
bus station @ 5:40 am
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TO ~~DIRECTOR~~, FBI

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /157-264/ 2P

FREEBUS. FR PRISONER ELMER L. ~~BROWN~~, ARRESTED JULY SEVEN,

IS CURRENTLY IN HINDS COUNTY JAIL, JACKSON, AFTER BEING
RELEASED FROM HOSPITAL AFTER EXAMINATION FOR POSSIBLE SKULL
FRACTURE. SHERIFF J. ROBERT GILFOY, HINDS COUNTY, ADVISED:

TODAY IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT BROWN STRUCK HIS HEAD AGAINST

WALL AND FAKED STORY ABOUT FALL FROM BUNK. BROWN TALKED TO

PRESS TODAY AND SAID CORE MISLED HIM AND HE IS SORRY HE

PARTICIPATED IN FR. SHERIFF GILFOY ADVISED THAT LATER TODAY

BROWN ATTEMPTED TO HANG SELF IN CELL BY BELT BUT WAS DISCOVERED

BY TRUSTY IN TIME TO PREVENT ATTEMPT. GILFOY THEN CONTACTED

BROWN-S LAWYER WHO IS ARRANGING TO HAVE BROWN RELEASED ON BOND

LATER TONIGHT. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY AS OF FOUR PM, JULY TWENTY

COLON NO FR ARRESTED SINCE JULY NINETEEN SUMMARY. TWLEVE FR PRISONERS

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FOUR. NET IN CUSTODY ONE TWO SEVEN. ALL FR PRISONERS EATING
AT JACKSON CITY AND HINDS COUNTY JAILS.

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The Attorney General

July 22, 1961

Director, FBI

FREEDOM RIDE 1961 - *Miami*
RACIAL MATTERS; DESTRUCTION OF
AIRCRAFT OR MOTOR VEHICLES; CIVIL RIGHTS

The four freedom riders consisting of two white males and two white females who were delayed in reaching Jackson, Mississippi, on July 21, 1961, because of a bus breakdown, arrived at Jackson at 8:31 a. m., Central Standard Time (CST), that date, and were arrested by the Jackson, Mississippi, Police Department (PD) at 8:32 a. m., CST, when they failed to move from the lunch counter in the colored waiting room after being ordered to do so by the PD.

The thirteen freedom riders, who were arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, on July 20, and 21, 1961, were all convicted of breach of the peace in Jackson Municipal Court on July 21, 1961. Each was sentenced to serve four months in jail and was fined \$200.

Elmer L. Brown, the freedom rider who reportedly attempted to hang himself in his jail cell on July 20, 1961, was released on appeal bond July 21, 1961. [redacted] another freedom rider, was also released on appeal bond, on July 20, 1961.

Two hundred sixty freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since May 24, 1961. One hundred thirteen have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines, one has been released without the filing of charges, and four have been released on probation. One hundred thirty-eight remain in custody.

William Kunstler, American Civil Liberties Union Attorney, of New York City presently in Jackson representing freedom rider [redacted] in habeas corpus proceedings, informed a source on July 20, 1961, that he has been retained by freedom rider prisoners, [redacted] who are confined in the Mississippi State Penitentiary at Parchman, Mississippi. He intends to file habeas corpus

1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. DeLoach
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proceedings for these two clients in the Mississippi State Court in the near future as he feels they are being held in violation of the Mississippi State Constitution. Kunstler told the source that he expects the United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals to rule against [redacted] appeal in the habeas corpus proceedings and that he intends to carry the appeal to the United States Supreme Court.

[redacted] who were arrested at Jackson, [redacted] of southern governors at the Heidelberg Hotel, were tried in Jackson Municipal Court, July 21, 1961, on charges of breach of the peace. Both were found guilty and each was fined \$200 and sentenced to four months in jail. The defendants were represented by William Kunstler, mentioned above, assisted by a local attorney, [redacted]

The Department will be promptly advised of further developments.

- 1 - Mr. Byron R. White
Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General
Eugene Marshall
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General
Herbert J. Miller, Jr.

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 FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (100-16630)
 SUBJECT: CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY
 RM

Freedom Riders - MISCELLANEOUS

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum and one each for Memphis and New York regarding activities of captioned organization.

Baltimore indices do not contain any information identifiable with [redacted] The Bureau and interested offices will be advised of additional developments.

- 3 - Bureau (Enclosures 8)
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CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY

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"The Sun", a Baltimore, Maryland, newspaper, dated July 19, 1961, contained an article to the effect that on July 18, 1961, JOEL GREENBERG, age - 21, 7103 Boxford Road, left the Greyhound Bus Station, Baltimore, for Nashville, Tennessee, as Baltimore's first "freedom rider".

GREENBERG said he expects to be met in Nashville by representatives of the Christian Leadership Conference. Just before boarding the bus, he described the trip as "just a matter of being a liberal American".

According to this article, Miss RIKKA ROSENTHAL, Vice Chairman of the Baltimore Chapter of Congress of Racial Equality, said this group expects to send some 18 more riders to the South in the near future. She added an application is sent to the New York Office of Congress of Racial Equality for screening and the candidate for the ride is interviewed before being sent on a freedom ride. MD

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (157-367)

SUBJECT: FREEBUS
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ADD. DISSEDE FOR
TION.Freedom Riders - Miscellaneous

Re Los Angeles teletype to Director and New Orleans dated 7/13/61 advising that a CORE sponsored group of Freedom Riders plan to leave from Santa Monica, California, on 7/28/61.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight copies of a letterhead memo, two copies New Orleans, suitable for dissemination concerning this proposed trip.

The source for the information is [redacted] orally to SA [redacted] on [redacted] and the source for the information concerning [redacted] is [redacted]

Attached letterhead memo is classified confidential in order to protect the identity of [redacted] whose disclosure would compromise the future effectiveness of an informant of continuing value.

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1 - Los Angeles
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Los Angeles, California

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FREEDOM RIDERS
(Proposed Freedom Riders
group leaving Santa Monica,
California, on July 28, 1961)

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An informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on July 13, 1961, that a group of Freedom Riders, sponsored by the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) plan to leave from Santa Monica, California, on July 28, 1961, for New Orleans and Jackson, Mississippi.

Those tentatively scheduled to go are

Los Angeles;
Los Angeles;
Los Angeles;
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Los Angeles;
Los Angeles;
California;
California;
address; no address.

Informant advised that based on past experience with CORE sponsored Freedom Riders groups many who early indicate they would make the trip withdraw before the time of the departure for one reason or another and are replaced by others just prior to departure time. For this reason it is generally not known far in advance which ones will actually make the trip.

Concerning the above names, the following information has been received concerning

Another Governmental agency that conducts security investigations advised on May 9, 1959, that one

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who in 1958 was residing at [redacted]
California, was formerly employed by [redacted]
[redacted] California. [redacted] terminated
there on [redacted]

CALIF.

While employed at [redacted] it was reported
that [redacted] had been engaging in discussions of
a political nature in the plant, particularly with reference
to Communist and Marxist theories and was reported to have
brought into the plant Marxist literature (not specified)
from which to quote in an effort to prove his point.

LA
MISS.

[redacted] is described as [redacted] American;
[redacted] pounds [redacted] eyes, [redacted] hair, born [redacted]
[redacted] served [redacted]
[redacted] Serial No. [redacted]

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FROM: SAC, Philadelphia (100-45748)
SUBJECT: FREEBUS
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0 FREEDOM RIDERS MISC

Re Memphis teletype to the Bureau and New Orleans
dated 7/15/61.

Philadelphia indices contain no reference to
[redacted] described in referenced teletype.

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 FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (157-250)
 SUBJECT: "FREEBUS"
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CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY
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0 FREEDOM RIDERSMISCELLANEOUS

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum, captioned "FREEDOM RIDERS" (SECTION TWO, PROFESSIONAL GROUP), suitable for dissemination.

This matter will be closely followed and the Bureau will be advised of the disposition of the cases pending at Ocala, Florida.

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"FREEDOM RIDERS"
(SECTION TWO, PROFESSIONAL GROUP)

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FLA

On July 17, 1961, Freedom Riders [redacted] appeared before Judge Lewis O. Myers, Jr., Marion County Court, Ocala, Florida, for sentencing on charge of unlawful assembly for which they were found guilty by six man jury at separate trials on July 7, 1961. Their attorney, [redacted] Jacksonville, Florida, presented motions for new trials on their behalf, which Judge Myers denied.

Judge Myers sentenced [redacted] to pay fine of \$500.00 or six months in jail, plus a thirty day jail sentence.

[redacted] was sentenced to ninety days in jail or a \$250.00 fine.

Defense attorney [redacted] filed motions of appeal for [redacted] for their cases to be heard before the Fifth Circuit Court, Marion County, Ocala, Florida.

Judge Myers set bond on [redacted] at \$1,000.00 each. Both were released on bond pending appeal of their case before next term of the Fifth Circuit Court, set for October, 1961.

FLA

[redacted] will be tried before Judge Myers, Marion County Court, on August 21, 1961, for unlawful assembly and failure to obey lawful order of an officer. [redacted] will be tried at the same term of this court on charge of failure to obey lawful order of an officer.

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"FREEDOM RIDERS"
(SECTION TWO, PROFESSIONAL GROUP)

The above information has been discussed with
[redacted] Military Intelligence (CIC), Jacksonville,
Florida, on a continuing basis.

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Mr. Ingram _____
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URGENT 7-23-61 3-40 PM CST WLM

TO DIRECTOR FBI AND SAC-S SAN FRANCISCO AND DALLAS

FROM SAC MOBILE /157-96/ 2P *FREEDOM RIDES*

FREEBUS, RM. [REDACTED] MONTGOMERY, ALA.,

ADVISED HE INTERVIEWED APPARENT LEADER OF FREEDOM RIDER GROUP
ARRIVING MONTGOMERY, ALA., TWELVE TEN P.M. TODAY, TRAILWAYS
BUS, WHO SAID HE IS CECIL THOMAS, BERKELEY, CALIF., YMCA
OFFICIAL AND FORMER TEACHER OF NEGRO PRIVATE SCHOOL. THOMAS
IS WM, APPROXIMATELY FIFTY YEARS OF AGE. THOMAS IDENTIFIED OTHER
TWO FREEDOM RIDERS AS [REDACTED] AND

[REDACTED] ALSO BERKELEY, CALIF. THOMAS REFERED TO ONE OF
TWO NEGRO FREEDOM RIDERS AS [REDACTED] BUT DID NOT IDENTIFY
OTHER NEGRO. THOMAS SAID HE AND [REDACTED] TRAVELING FROM
CALIFORNIA TO HOME TOWN, WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE, OHIO. [REDACTED]

ADVISED LATER ONE FIVE FIVE P.M., THAT HE INTERVIEWED CECIL
THOMAS AT MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, MONTGOMERY, AFTER TWO NM FREEDOM
RIDERS DEPARTED ONE FOUR FIVE P.M. ON DELTA AIRLINE PLANE NO.
FOUR N FOUR EIGHT ZERO SEVEN BOUND FOR DALLAS, TEXAS, ULTIMATE
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DESTINATION SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. THEY WERE IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] PILGRIM CONG. CHURCH, SAN FRANCISCO,
CALIF., AND [REDACTED] YOUTH FOR SERVICE, AMERICAN
FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE, HOME ADDRESS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CALIF. CECIL THOMAS-S ADDRESS NINE SIX TWO
ORDWAY STREET, ALBANY, CALIF. THOMAS STATED HE IS UNCERTAIN
HOW OR WHEN HE AND WHITE YOUTHS WILL TRAVEL TO OHIO. HE PROMISED
TO ADVISE [REDACTED] WHO PROMISED TO ADVISE RA MONTGOMERY. THE NM
FREEDOM RIDERS MADE NO ATTEMPT TO TEST FACILITIES EITHER AT BUS
STATION OR AIRPORT. THE WHITE FREEDOM RIDERS SAT AT COLORED
RESTRAUNT, TRAILWAYS BUS STATION AND WERE SERVED MILK AND COKES.
NO LOCAL PUBLICITY, NO CROWDS, AND NO INCIDENTS. CAPT. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] MONTGOMERY PD, AND DETAIL OF APPROXIMATELY TWO ZERO OFFICERS
COVERED BUS STATION AND AIRPORT. ALABAMA DPS LIEUT. [REDACTED]
NA, ALSO COVERED. SAN FRANCISCO CHECK INDICIES AND ADVISE MOBILE
ANY PERTINENT DATA. CI ADVISED A.M.

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URGENT 7-22-61 12-47 PM CST AM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-286

FREEBUS. RMYTEL JULY TWELVE SIXTYONE ADVISING CERTIFICATE

OF PROBABLE CAUSE ISSUED SO THAT [REDACTED]

COULD APPEAL TO FIFTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS. ON JULY

TWENTYTWO SIXTYONE, FIFTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS DENIED

[REDACTED] PETITION SEEKING APPEAL FROM DECISION OF U. S.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE S. C. MIZE. COURT OF APPEALS IN EFFECT

CONFIRMED OPINION OF MIZE STATING THAT [REDACTED] HAS NOT

ATTEMPTED TO EXHAUST REMEDIES AVAILABLE IN MISSISSIPPI STATE

COURTS, HAS NOT SHOWN AN ABSENCE OF STATE REMEDIES OR THAT

CIRCUMSTANCES EXIST WHICH RENDER STATE REMEDIES INEFFECTIVE

TO PROTECT [REDACTED] RIGHTS. FURTHER THAT [REDACTED] DID NOT

ATTEMPT TO APPEAL HER CONVICTION WHICH SHE CLAIMS WAS UNCONSTITUTIONAL, DOES NOT CLAIM SHE IS FINANCIALLY UNABLE

TO MAKE BOND PENDING APPEAL AND THERE APPEARS TO BE NO

SOUND REASON TO GRANT MOTION FOR PERMISSION TO APPEAL SINCE

NO ALLEGATIONS ARE CONTAINED IN THE PETITION ASSERTING

FINANCIAL INABILITY TO CAUSE THE RECORD TO BE PREPARED

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES OF THE COURT. THE MOTIONS WERE
THEREFORE DENIED. THIS OPINION HANDED DOWN BY CHIEF
JUDGE EDWARD TUTTLE AND CIRCUIT JUDGES JONES AND WISDOM AND
THE OPINION OFFICIALLY FILED TODAY AT NEW ORLEANS.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FREEDOM RIDERS

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /157-NEW/ 1P

FREEBUS, RM. SEVEN WHITE FR-S ARRIVED NEW ORLEANS, NATIONAL
AIRLINES, FOUR THIRTY PM, THIS DATE. NO FACILITIES TESTED.

[REDACTED] CORE, NEW ORLEANS, ADVISES FREEDOM RIDERS ARE COLON

LBS.

SMCLN [REDACTED]

LBS. SMCLN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LBS. SMCLN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LBS. SMCLN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LBS. SMCLN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LBS. SMCLN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LBS. [REDACTED] ADVISES [REDACTED] IS THE LEADER

AND THAT ALL ARE FROM THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA. FR-S WILL-
LEAVE ON IC RR TRAIN, CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, SEVEN TEN AM, SEVEN
TWENTYTHREE SIXTYONE, FOR JACKSON, MISS. THERE WILL BE NO TESTING
ENROUTE. LOCAL AUTHORITIES NEW ORLEANS AND JACKSON ADVISED.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-331 2P

FREEBUS. REMYTEL JULY NINETEEN PERTAINING TO INJURY OF FR ELMER L.

BROWN. ONE JULY NINETEEN [REDACTED] CORE, JACKSON TELEPHONICALLY
CONTACTED THE JACKSON RA. ADVISED HE HAD HEARD THAT ONE OF THE FRs
AT MSP, PARCHMAN, HAD FALLEN FROM HIS BUNK AND FRACTURED HIS SKULL.

[REDACTED] ASKED IF FBI COULD FURNISH HIM DETAILS CONCERNING INJURED
FR-S NAME BECAUSE HE SAID NAME HAD NOT BEEN RELEASED. HE WAS
ADVISED FBI COULD NOT FURNISH THIS INFORMATION AND WAS SUGGESTED TO
HIM HE CONTACT SHERIFF J. R. GILFOY, HINDS COUNTY, JACKSON, MISS.
FOR THIS INFORMATION. [REDACTED] ALSO SAID QUOTE WE WILL WANT A
COMPLETE INVESTIGATION UNQUOTE. [REDACTED] WAS ADVISED THAT FBI WOULD
NOT CONDUCT INVESTIGATION AT THIS POINT, AS NO ALLEGATIONS WERE
RECEIVED THAT INJURY WAS DUE TO MISTREATMENT. SHERIFF GILFOY

ADVISED BUAGENTS JULY NINETEEN THAT BROWN HAD BEEN EXAMINED BY TWO
NEUROSURGEONS AT U OF MISS. HOSPITAL, JACKSON, MORNING OF JULY NINE-
TEEN WHO COULD FIND NOTHING WRONG WITH HIM AND ACCORDING TO SHERIFF-S
INFORMATION COULD FIND NO EVIDENCE OF SKULL FRACTURE.

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INTENDS TO RETURN BROWN TO MSP, PARCHMAN, TODAY WITH GROUP OF FR
PRISONERS BEING TRANSFERRED TO MSP FROM JACKSON JAILS. GILFOY
INDICTED^A HE WOULD FURNISH [] THE INFORMATION RE BROWN-S
IDENTITY AND EXTENT OF INJURIES IF ~~HE~~ [] CONTACTED HIM. ABOVE
FOR INFO BUREAU. COPY MEMPHIS ^{AIR MAIL} AM FOR THEIR INFO.

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cc Mr. Rosen

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM: SAC, KNOXVILLE (157-130)
 SUBJECT: FREE BUS, CHATTANOOGA, TENN.
 RACIAL MATTERS

F REEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS

Re Knoxville teletype to Bureau 7/19/61.

Submitted herewith are two newspaper articles
 which appeared in daily publications at Chattanooga, Tenn.,
 on 7/18/61:

1. CHATTANOOGA DAILY TIMES, entitled
 "5 Riders Ejected"
2. CHATTANOOGA NEWS-FREE PRESS, entitled
 "Olgiati Tells New Yorkers 5 Loitered"

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5. RIDERS EJECTED

Denied Service at Howard Johnson Restaurant

Three white and two Negro
Freedom Riders who arrived here
Sunday were refused counter serv-
ice Monday evening at the Howard
Johnson Restaurant, 3118 Broad
St.

They did not leave after a res-
taurant official denied them serv-
ice and closed the counter. Four
uniformed policemen escorted
them from the premises about 6
p.m., some 30 minutes after they
arrived.

Members of the group smoked,
talked and read newspapers until
they were ousted by the police-
men. They left the restaurant
parking lot in a car with Hamilton
County license plates.

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Chattanooga
Daily Times
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Chattanooga,
Tennessee

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Olgiati Tells New Yorkers 5 'Loitered'

Mayor P. R. Olgiati today confirmed reports that "New York sources" through Knoxville had called him for a tapped interview about the ousting of five "freedom riders" from the all-white Howard Johnson Restaurant at 3118 Broad St. last night when the owner called for police assistance.

He said he was asked what ordinance was enforced in ejecting the five men—three white and two Negro.

The mayor said he stated he did not know the specific ordinance but he "guessed" it was the anti-loitering ordinance used here earlier in an integration hassle involving local theaters.

The mayor said he did not criticize police action in ejecting the five who were given the option of leaving the restaurant or going to jail.

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Chattanooga News-
Free Press
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Chattanooga,
Tennessee

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TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 7-19-61

FROM : A. Rosen

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SUBJECT: FREEBUS

Freedom Riders - [redacted]

There have been no further arrests of freedom riders at Jackson, Mississippi, and there has been no change in the status of those previously arrested. (Prisoner injured, details on page 2.)

Two hundred forty-seven freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since 5-24-61. Ninety-nine have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines and one has been released without the filing of charges. One hundred forty-three remain in custody.

James Luther Bevel and [redacted] of the Jackson Nonviolent Movement were convicted 7-18-61 in Jackson Municipal Court on charges of contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Each was charged with one count and each was sentenced to serve six months in jail and was fined \$500. Bevel will be tried on three additional counts and [redacted] will be tried on two additional counts on 7-19-61. The charges are based on the allegation that Bevel and [redacted] have caused minors to engage in sit-ins at Jackson.

The five freedom riders who left New York 7-13-61 and arrived in Chattanooga 7-16-61 entered a Howard Johnson restaurant in Chattanooga on 7-17-61. They were refused service and were asked to leave. They departed after the police arrived and read a loitering statute.

The above group at Chattanooga is scheduled to leave Chattanooga by Greyhound bus at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, 7-19-61 to arrive in Memphis at 6:30 p.m., Central Standard Time (CST), 7-19-61. The bus will pass through Monteagle, Tennessee, at 10:15 a.m. (CST). It has been previously reported that klansmen discussed the possibility of shooting at the bus when it goes through Monteagle Pass. Local authorities including the Tennessee Highway Patrol have previously been advised of this threat and have now been advised of the bus schedule.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

On 7-18-61 a preliminary hearing was held in U. S. District Court, Tallahassee, Florida, regarding the suit previously filed by three Negro ministers who seek to end segregation of the restaurant in the Tallahassee airport. The proceeding was limited to legal arguments and the matter was taken under advisement by the court. Plaintiffs and defendants are to file new briefs within five days at which time a date will be set for further hearings.

The Hinds County Sheriff's Office, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that Elmer Brown, a convicted freedom rider incarcerated at Mississippi State Penitentiary, Parchman, Mississippi, fell from his bunk and injured his head at about 11:00 p.m., 7-18-61. He was taken to the hospital at Greenwood, Mississippi, where it was determined that Brown has a fractured skull but is not seriously injured. He was removed to the University of Mississippi hospital at Jackson for observation and treatment.


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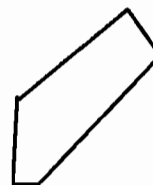
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A memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

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FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157--264

FREEDOM RIDERS - MISC

FREEBUS. THIRTEEN FR ARRESTED JACKSON, MISS., JULY TWENTY AND
TWENTYONE WERE TRIED IN JACKSON MUNICIPAL COURT, JULY TWENTYONE.
AFTER NG PLEAS ALL CONVICTED FOR VIOLATION S. TWO ZERO EIGHT
SEVEN POINT FIVE AND SENTENCED TO FOUR MONTHS IN JAIL AND FINED
TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS. NO INCIDENTS. FR PRISONERS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND ELMER L. BROWN RELEASED ON FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS CASH
APPEAL BOND JULY TWENTY AND TWENTYONE RESPECTIVELY. FOLLWOING
IS SUMMARY AS OF FOUR PM, JULY TWENTYONE - TOTAL ARRESTED TWO
SIX ZERO. RELEASED ON BOND ONE ONE THREE. PAID FINE FOUR.
RELEASED TO ATTORNEY ONE. (RELEASED ON PROBATION FOUR. NET IN
CUSTODY ONE THREE EIGHT. ALL FR PRISONERS EATING AT HINDS
COUNTY JAIL AND JACKSON CITY JAIL.

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FREEBUS. FOLLOWING ARE NAMES AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA FROM PD RECORDS

FOR SEVEN FR ARRESTED IC RR, JACKSON, JULY TWENTYTHREE COLON [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAN FRANCISCO, [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PA., [REDACTED] LBS., [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR, UNEMPLOYED. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NYC, [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PA., [REDACTED] LBS., [REDACTED]

EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR, STUDENT CCNY, HAS PICKETED NYC. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CAL., [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

SAN FRANCISCO, [REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAN FRANCISCO, [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

PA., [REDACTED] LBS., [REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

CAL., [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED] CAL., [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR, STUDENT SAN JOSE STATE

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COLLEGE, SAN JOSE, CAL.

CAL.

DOB

LBS.

EYES,

HAIR, STUDENT SAN FRANCISCO STATE COLLEGE, SAN FRANCISCO , CAL.

SAN FRANCISCO,

DOB

SAN FRANCISCO

LBS.

EYES,

HAIR, ENEMPLOYED, FORMER

BERKELEY, CAL. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY

AS OF ONE PM, JULY TWENTYTHREE. NO FR PRISONERS RELEASED BOND OR OTHERWISE SINCE JULY TWENTYTWO SUMMARY. TOTAL ARRESTED TWO SIX SEVEN. RELEASED ON BOND ONE TWO ONE. PAID FINE FOUR. RELEASED TO ATTORNEY ONE. RELEASED ON PROBATION FOUR. NET IN CUSTODY ONE THREE SEVEN. ALL FR PRISONERS EATING AT HINDS COUNTY AND JACKSON CITY JAILS.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC NEWARK 157-603

FROM SAC, LITTLE ROCK 157-111

FREEBUS DASH RM. RE LITTLE ROCK TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND
NEWARK JULY TWENTY LAST. TWO ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF FREEDOM
RIDER GROUP, [REDACTED] DEPARTED LITTLE
ROCK TWO FORTY PM TODAY VIA AMERICAN AIRLINES, [REDACTED]
DESTINED NEW YORK CITY AND [REDACTED] TO NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE.
THESE TWO UNABLE TO OBTAIN RESERVATIONS FURTHER THAN MEMPHIS,
TENNESSEE, WHERE THEY WILL MAKE FURTHER PLANE CONNECTIONS.
THE FIFTH AND LAST MEMBER OF THE GROUP, [REDACTED]
REMAINED IN LITTLE ROCK AND HIS PLANS ARE UNKNOWN AT THIS
TIME. MEMPHIS ADVISED BY TELEPHONE THE BUREAU WILL BE KEPT
ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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FROM SAC, SAN FRANCISCO /100-24927/ 2P

FREEBUS. RE NEW ORLEANS TEL TODAY. LOCAL NEWSPAPER, SAN FRANCISCO
CHRONICLE, CARRIED ARTICLE TODAY SAYING SEVEN PERSONS WERE TO LEAVE
SAN FRANCISCO AIRPORT EIGHT AM TODAY FOR NEW ORLEANS AND WILL GO TO
JACKSON MONDAY, JULY TWO FOUR, AS QUOTE FREEDOM RIDERS UNQUOTE. PERSONS
ARE MICHAEL POWELL. TWO ONE, OF SAN JOSE STATE COLLEGE SMCLN AL
WILLIAMS, THREE SIX, TWO TWO THREE FIVE WEBSTER STREET, SAN FRANCISCO,
A TEACHER SMCLN MARGARET O. IHRA, TWO TWO, SEVEN ONE FIVE DUBOCE STREET,
SAN FRANCISCO, A STUDENT SMCLN ALEXANDER WEISS, TWO FIVE, TWO THREE ZERO
LOS OLIVOS AVENUE, DALY CITY, CALIFORNIA, STUDENT, SAN FRANCISCO STATE
COLLEGE SMCLN MORTON G. LINDEN, TWO THREE, ONE TWO ONE FOUR POLK STREET,
SAN FRANCISCO, VETERINARY GRADUATE SMCLN A. ROY HUDDLESON, THREE TWO
SIX FIVE THREE GREENWICH STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, OFFICE WORKER SMCLN
ANN CANDIDE LALL, ONE ONE ZERO MADIONE AVENUE, LARKSPUR, CALIFORNIA,
A SECRETARY. SAN FRANCISCO INDICES NEGATIVE ON ALL EXCEPT

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[REDACTED] SAN FRANCISCO. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] LBS., AND [REDACTED] ONE OF SIX
EIGHT INDIVIDUALS ARRESTED [REDACTED] BY SAN
FRANCISCO POLICE DEPARTMENT IN CONNECTION WITH RIOTING AT HEARINGS OF
HCUA. [REDACTED] WAS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN ONE OF NUMBER OF DEMON-
STRATORS FOR PEACE IN FRONT OF FEDERAL OFFICE BUILDING, SAN FRANCISCO,
[REDACTED] NAME OF [REDACTED] HAS ALSO BEEN MENTIONED
AT MEETINGS OF FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE. NATIONAL AIRLINES FLIGHT
TWO TWO EIGHT LEFT SAN FRANCISCO EIGHT AM TODAY AND DUE IN NEW ORLEANS
AT THREE ONE FIVE PM NEW ORLEANS TIME.

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cc: Mr. Rosen

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FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-351

FREEBUS. FOUR FREEDOM RIDERS CONSISTING OF TWO ^{WHITE MALES} AND TWO ^{WHITE FEMALES} ^{POLICE DEPARTMENT} ARRESTED BY JACKSON, MISS. PD AT GREYHOUND BUS TERMINAL ^{CENTRAL STANDARD TIME} NINE THIRTYTWO AM CST, JULY TWENTYONE. ALL HAD ARRIVED ^{12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31} NINE THIRTYONE AM ON BUS FROM MEMPHIS WHICH WAS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE FIVE THIRTYFIVE AM BUT WAS DELAYED DUE TO BREAKDOWN. ^{FREEDOM RIDERS} ALL ² ENTERED COLORED WAITING ROOM AT TERMINAL AS GROUP AND SAT AT LUNCH COUNTER. WERE ARRESTED FOR BREACH OF PEACE WHEN THEY FAILED TO MOVE ON AFTER ORDERED TO DO SO BY PD. NO INCIDENTS.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI *FREEDOM RIDERS - MISS*

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /157-NEW/ 1P

FREEBUS, RM. SEVEN FR CONSISTING OF FIVE WM AND TWO WF ARRESTED
AT IC RR DEPOT, JACKSON, MISS., TEN TWELVE AM, CST, JULY TWENTY
THREE. ALL HAD ARRIVED AT TEN TEN AM ON TRAIN FROM NEW ORLEANS.
ALL HAD ENTERED COLORED WAITING ROOM AS GROUP AND TOOK SEATS. PD
ORDERED THEM TO MOVE ON AND WHEN FAILED TO OBEY, WERE ARRESTED FOR
BREACH OF PEACE. NO INCIDENTS. IDENTITIES FOLLOW BY TEL.

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FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS

FROM:

SAC KNOXVILLE (157-130)

RE:

CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY, aka CORE
FREEDOM RIDERS, CHATTANOOGA, TENN.
RACIAL MATTERS

Re KX tel to Bureau 7/18/61.

Submitted herewith are the following newspaper
articles which appeared in daily publications at Chattanooga
and Johnson City, Tenn.:Chattanooga Daily Times:

7/15/61, "Freedom Riders May Not Come"

7/17/61, "Riders Arrive, Dine at Terminal"

7/14/61, "Freedom Riders Leave Their Bus"

Chattanooga Sunday Times:

7/16/61, "Riders Group to City Today"

Chattanooga News-Free Press:7/15/61, "Riders Expected to Arrive Tonight;
May Stop in Knoxville"

7/17/61, "Riders Dine at Terminal; Not Bothered"

7/14/61, "Riders Resume Bus Trip to Chattanooga;
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Johnson City Press-Chronicle:

7/16/61, "Five Denied Service in Elizabethton"

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'Riders' Resume Bus Trip To Chattanooga; 5 in Group

'Watched Over' by FBI During Stopover
At Charlottesville; to Test Roanoke En Route

Five "freedom riders," who were watched over in the Charlottesville, Va. bus terminal by an agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, found an atmosphere of both "freedom" and "peace" there, and departed for Chattanooga.

The group is composed of two Negroes, two Rabbis and another white man.

The little band left New York Thursday and, supposedly, were to arrive here this morning, but failed to do so because they spent the night at Charlottesville. En route here, they are scheduled to stop at Roanoke, Va., according to United Press International.

One of the Negroes on the

much-publicized mission was served breakfast in the Charlottesville terminal restaurant.

Rabbi Herman Stern, 30, River Ridge, N. J., announced to newsmen in Virginia that "We're just trying to be like other people and travel like other people."

The Chattanooga bus terminals were busy this morning with travelers of both races making little noticed trips. There was no one on hand at the Trailways Terminal at the appointed time of arrival of the small body of visitors except employees and some tourists.

Others in the group from the

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'RIDERS' STILL TO COME HERE

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north include John C. Harvard, 39, Elizabeth, N. J., a psychologist at Howard University, Washington; Rabbi Sidney Shanke, 39, Cranford, N. J.; Woolcott Keston Smith, 20, Vineyard Haven, Mass., a student at Michigan State University, and Henry Thomas, 19, St. Augustine, Fla., a field secretary for the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), a backer of the so-called "freedom rides."

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FREEDOM RIDERS LEAVE THEIR BUS

Group Headed Here Takes
to Auto in Virginia,
Destination Secret

ROANOKE, Va. (AP) — Five "Freedom Riders" en route from New York through Washington, Roanoke and Bristol to Chattanooga were last seen Thursday night leaving a Charlottesville bus station by car.

The group left New York Thursday morning on Trailways Bus 5711, reportedly to test segregated eating facilities along the way.

In the group were a white student, two rabbis and two Negroes.

Trailways bus driver Charles Brooks, who let the group off about 6 p.m. EST in Charlottesville, said the five sat together in the middle of the bus but caused no disturbance.

He said two of them had tickets to Roanoke and the other three to Charlottesville.

A Trailways bus dispatcher in Charlottesville told the Roanoke Times the group left the station in a private car immediately after getting off the bus.

He said they did not indicate if or when they would continue their journey.

The next Chattanooga-bound Trailways was scheduled to leave Charlottesville in the early morning hours, arriving at Roanoke at 4:30 a.m. EST.

The five were identified as

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FREEDOM RIDERS LEAVE THEIR BUS

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Wolcott Smith, a student from East Lansing, Mich.; Rabbi Sydney Shanker, Cranford, N.J.; Rabbi Terman, Stern, River Edge, N.J.; Henry Thomas, Negro, New York, field secretary of the Committee of Race Equality; and John Harvard, Negro, Elizabeth, N.J., representing the Elizabeth Good Neighbor Council.

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Five Denied Service In Elizabethton

ELIZABETHTON — A group of two Negroes and three whites, all men, who denied being Freedom Riders ("We're just a group of friends traveling together."), attempted to eat in the grill at Elizabethton yesterday.

They were refused service by Malone Harrell on the basis that "I own this place and have the right to refuse anyone service. This grill is not connected with the Trailways Bus Station."

The men — two rabbis, a psychologist and two college students — are heading for Chattanooga.

The group passed through Johnson City a few minutes later without incident.

The five, from New Jersey, dined without incident in the integrated Trailways restaurant later in the day at Knoxville.

The riders planned to remain in Knoxville overnight before continuing their journey to Chattanooga.

Newspaper Johnson City
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'Riders' Dine At Terminal; Not Bothered

Two Negroes, two rabbis and another white man, traveling by common carrier on a widely publicized and leisurely trip from New York to Chattanooga, arrived here yesterday afternoon and were treated just as any other Negroes and whites who arrive constantly on interstate carriers.

They dined in the Greyhound Terminal restaurant, at a large table with three local Negroes. A small group of less than 20 watched the little party through the plate glass window. Police Chief Ed Brown and Chief Inspector Malcolm W. Upchurch watched, too.

In the little band was Henry Thomas, 19, of St. Augustine, Fla., a field representative of the Congress of Racial Equality, sometimes called "CORE".

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'Riders' Dine At Terminal; Not Bothered

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Rabbi Sidney Shanken, 39-year-old resident of Cranford, N.J.; Rabbi Herman Stern, a 30-year-old resident of River Edge, N.J.; Woolcott K. Smith, 20, a youth attending Michigan State University, and John C. Harvard, 39, a graduate psychologist at Howard University, Washington, D.C. Thomas and Harvard are Negroes.

Thomas was separated from his tourist companions at Knoxville because, due to weekend traffic, two buses covered the same route here. He arrived 20 minutes before the others.

The visitors plan to stay here for a few days, as they have been fatigued by their long ride.

They reported they were refused service at restaurants in bus terminals at Culpepper, Va., and Elizabethton, Tenn.

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*"Riders Expected to Arrive Tonight;
May Stop in Knoxville."*

Refused Service At Roanoke Cafe

The so-called "freedom riders," who have been en route here from New York since Thursday, left Roanoke, Va., this morning on a Trailways bus and are expected to arrive at Chattanooga shortly after 9 p.m. tonight.

Their bus arrives at Knoxville shortly after 5 p.m., and it is necessary for them to change buses there. There is the possibility they will spend the night in Knoxville, as apparently they do not travel at night. They have spent nights in Charlottesville and Roanoke.

A reporter at the Roanoke World-News was contacted by telephone by The News-Free Press today, and he said there was no trouble during the riders' visit.

"They stayed at the Holiday Inn Motel outside of town. They asked for service at Archie's Lobster House in Roanoke, but were refused, and they moved on. The hostess explained the policy of the restaurant to them, and they moved on."

They ate at a Negro motel a short distance from town.

This morning, they ate at the Trailways bus terminal restaurant.

Upon arrival at Roanoke, the little party of tourists was met by two Negro ministers.

The group is composed of two Negroes, two rabbis and another white man.

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'Riders' Arrive, Dine at Terminal

By HARRY YOUNG

Three white men and two Negroes, traveling together to test racial policies at bus stations, rode into Chattanooga Sunday afternoon on two Greyhound Lines buses and ate at the terminal's cafeteria without incident.

Some 20 young white men watched through plate-glass windows along Market Street as the five bus riders and three Chattanooga Negro clergymen dined together at a large table.

Police Chief Ed Brown and Chief Inspector Malcolm W. Upchurch stood in a summer rain among the youths as a silent warning that the bus station was well policed.

Henry Thomas, 19, of St. Augustine, Fla., one of the travelers, said the five plan to remain in Chattanooga two or three

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'RIDERS' ARRIVE, EAT AT TERMINAL

3 Whites, 2 Negroes Dine
Without Incident, Plan
a Brief Stay Here

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days. They left the bus terminal in automobiles driven by the colored pastors.

In the group with Thomas, who is a field representative of the Congress of Racial Equality, were Rabbi Sidney Shanken, 39, of Cranford, N.J.; Rabbi Herman Stern, 30, of River Edge, N.J.; Woolcott K. Smith, 20, of Detroit at Michigan State University, and John C. Harvard, 39, of Elizabeth, N.J., a graduate psychologist at Howard University, Washington, D.C.

Thomas and Harvard are Negroes.

Starting in New York last Thursday, the travelers rode through Virginia and into Tennessee on a four-day trip similar to what have been termed "freedom rides" by other interracial groups.

"It has been a long trip and we would like to rest a while," said Thomas.

He said the five were undecided whether they would resume their journey and go into the Deep South by bus or return to their homes.

Thomas said the long ride from New York to Chattanooga would have been "highly successful" except for two instances. The group, he reported, was refused service at restaurants in bus terminals at Culpeper, Va., and Elizabethton, Tenn.

They were promptly served Saturday afternoon in the Trailways bus station cafeteria at Knoxville, where they spent that night.

Thomas was separated from his four companions when they left Knoxville Sunday because two buses, crowded with weekend traffic, were running the same route. He arrived in Chattanooga about 20 minutes before the other four reached the terminal in the second bus.

He talked with the Negro pastors and newsmen in the loading area back of the station until the second bus rolled in.

Then the five travelers and three ministers walked into the cafeteria and ordered meals. They completed their dinner and smoked before leaving.

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ENCLOSURE

'Riders' Group To City Today

KNOXVILLE (AP) — Five "freedom riders" from New Jersey arrived here Saturday by bus and dined without incident in the integrated Trailways restaurant.

The riders planned to remain in Knoxville overnight before continuing their journey to Chattanooga.

The group—three white men and two Negro men—is part of a movement testing segregation at bus terminals and bus terminal restaurants throughout the South.

Earlier on the trip, the group was refused service at the bus station grill in Elizabethton but there was no disturbance.

Both the major bus terminals here have been integrated for some time.

The group spent Thursday night in Charlottesville, Va., and Friday night in Roanoke, Va.

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Freedom Riders May Not Come

Five Freedom Riders who left New York Thursday reportedly headed for Chattanooga, stopped Friday in Roanoke, Va., where a spokesman said the group has no destination, the Associated Press reported.

Henry Thomas of New York, national field secretary of the Congress of Racial Equality, said, "We are just touring. We could visit Alabama or Mississippi."

The first report of the plans for the group was that the five would arrive in Chattanooga Friday morning. Later reports were that there had been a stop in Charlottesville, Va., and the schedule had been changed.

There are three white persons and two Negroes in the group.

There was no indication Friday night when they would arrive in Chattanooga, if they come here at all.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-351 *Freedom Riders*

FREEBUS. FOLLOWING ARE NAMES AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA OF FOUR ARRESTED
GREYHOUND BUS TERMINAL, JACKSON, MISS. JULY TWENTY ONE.

Miss Wisc. [redacted] N. Y., [redacted] DOB

[redacted] AT NYC, [redacted]

[redacted] LBS., [redacted] EYES, [redacted] HAIR, STUDENT U OF WISC.,

MADISON, WISC. ADMITS PICKETING MADISON, WISC. [redacted]

[redacted] NYC, [redacted]

Miss DOB [redacted] CONN., [redacted]

[redacted] LBS., [redacted] EYES, [redacted] HAIR,

[redacted] WESTFIELD, N. J. ADMITS PICKETING NASHVILLE, TENN.

[redacted] AND PEACH WALK NYC [redacted]

[redacted] MD., [redacted] DOB [redacted]

Miss [redacted] AT BALTIMORE, [redacted]

[redacted] LBS., [redacted] EYES, [redacted] HAIR, STUDENT ST. JOHN-S COLLEGE,

MD., ADMITS PICKETING NYC [redacted] BALTIMORE, [redacted]

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The Attorney General

July 25, 1961

Director, FBI

**FREEDOM RIDE 1961
RACIAL MATTERS; DESTRUCTION OF
AIRCRAFT OR MOTOR VEHICLES; CIVIL RIGHTS**

Four freedom riders proceeded from Montgomery, Alabama, to Jackson, Mississippi, by airplane on July 24, 1961. Upon their arrival in Jackson, they entered the waiting room and were arrested for breach of the peace when they failed to comply with instructions of the police that they move on.

The seven freedom riders who were arrested in Jackson on July 23, 1961, were convicted in Jackson Municipal Court on July 24, 1961. Each was sentenced to serve four months in jail and was fined \$200.

Two hundred seventy-one freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since May 24, 1961. One hundred twenty-one have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines, one has been released without the filing of charges and four have been released on probation. One hundred forty-one remain in custody.

The Department will be advised of future developments on a current basis.

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RACIAL MATTERS; DESTRUCTION OF
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Seven white freedom riders arrived in New Orleans by airplane from San Francisco on July 22, 1961. They proceeded to Jackson, Mississippi, by train on July 23, 1961, and were arrested at the Illinois Central Railroad Station in Jackson when they entered the Negro waiting room and failed to obey instructions of the police that they move on.

Among those arrested was [redacted] was one of sixty-eight individuals arrested by the San Francisco Police Department on May 13, 1960, in connection with rioting which occurred at the hearings of the House Committee on Un-American Activities. It has also been reported that [redacted] was one of a group which demonstrated for peace in front of the Federal Office Building in San Francisco on August 6, 1960, and it has been indicated that he may have some association with members of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee.

Two hundred sixty-seven freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since May 24, 1961. One hundred twenty-one have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines, one has been released without the filing of charges and four have been released on probation. One hundred thirty-seven remain in custody.

Information has been received that [redacted] a Negro minister of the Pilgrim Congregational Church in San Francisco, and [redacted] a Negro who is connected with the American Friends Service Committee in Daly City, California, were in Montgomery, Alabama, on July 23, 1961, with Cecil Thomas, a white official of the Young Men's Christian Association, Berkeley, California, [redacted] and another young white boy.

The Negroes proceeded to San Francisco via Dallas, Texas, by airplane without making any attempt to test facilities at Montgomery. Thomas and the white boys were served at the

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The Attorney General

Negro restaurant in the Trailways Bus station without incident. Several Montgomery police officers were present. Thomas reportedly stated that he and the boys were traveling to Ohio.

It has been indicated that [redacted] and [redacted] were among those who attended an interracial meeting of clergymen which was held on [redacted] at Tougaloo Southern Christian College on the outskirts of Jackson, Mississippi.

[redacted] a freedom rider who was arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, on June 2, 1961, was previously denied a writ of habeas corpus by the U. S. District Court, Jackson, Mississippi. She later was granted a certificate of probable cause by Judge Wisdom of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals.

On July 22, 1961, the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals at New Orleans filed an opinion denying [redacted] appeal. The opinion confirms the findings of the U. S. District Court that the petitioner has not attempted to exhaust state remedies, has not shown an absence of state remedies and has not shown that circumstances exist which render state remedies ineffective. It was also noted in the opinion that the petitioner did not attempt to appeal her conviction and does not claim that she is financially unable to make bond pending appeal.

We have been informed that the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) plans to test the facilities at the Trailways Bus station in Shreveport, Louisiana. It was stated that this probably will occur on the week end of July 29, 1961, and that within the next few days CORE will also test the lunch counters at ten-cent stores in Shreveport.

The Attorney General

This matter is continuing to receive close attention and full coverage. Additional pertinent developments will be brought to the attention of the Department on a current basis.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /157-NEW/ 2P

FREEBUS. RENOTEL JULY TWENTY. FOLLOWING ARE NAMES AND IDENTIFYING
DATA FROM PD RECORDS FOR NINE FR ARRESTED JACKSON AIRPORT TERMINAL
NIGHT JULY TWENTY.

[redacted] CALIF., [redacted] DOB [redacted] CHICAGO, [redacted]

[redacted] LBS., [redacted] EYES, [redacted] HAIR, [redacted]
[redacted] U. OF CALIF. [redacted]

[redacted] CALIF., [redacted] DOB [redacted] OAKLAND, [redacted]
CALIF. [redacted] LBS., [redacted] EYES, [redacted] HAIR, [redacted]

FELLOWSHIP CHURCH [redacted] SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

[redacted] CALIF., [redacted]
DOB [redacted] ILL., [redacted]

[redacted] LBS., [redacted] EYES, [redacted] HAIR, RABBI HILLEL FOUNDATION,
BRANCROFT WAY, BERKELEY. [redacted]

[redacted] BERKELEY [redacted] DOB [redacted] INDIANA,
[redacted] LBS., [redacted] EYES, [redacted] HAIR, TEACHER

[redacted] SCHOOL. [redacted]
[redacted] BERKELEY [redacted] DOB [redacted] WISC.,

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- Mr. Callahan
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- Mr. DeLoach
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[REDACTED] LBS., [REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED]
HAIR, [REDACTED] AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE TWO ONE
SIX ZERO LAKE ST., SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PA., [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LBS., [REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAIR, [REDACTED] TEMPLE BETH EL, BRADFORD, PA. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CALIF., [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OKALAHOMA CITY, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LBS., [REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR, [REDACTED] YOUTH F.O.R. SERVICE,

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BERKELEY, [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED] N.C.,

[REDACTED] LBS., [REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR, [REDACTED]

PROFESSOR U. OF CALIF. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PA., [REDACTED] LBS., [REDACTED] EYES,

[REDACTED] HAIR, [REDACTED] PILGRAM CONGRESSIONAL CHURCH, SAN FRANCISCO,

CALIF. BUREAU NOTE THAT [REDACTED] WAS ONE ORIGINALLY
REPORTED TO BE MEMBER OF GROUP TO TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON, DC, JULY
TWENTYONE.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, LITTLE ROCK

FROM SAC, MEMPHIS 157-140

FREEBUS, RM REBUTEL TO MEMPHIS AND LITTLE ROCK INSTANT

DATE. [REDACTED] PHONED

THIS OFFICE THIS AM STATING HIS GROUP WOULD DEPART MEMPHIS
TWELVE FORTY P. M. CST VIA GREYHOUND BUS TO LITTLE ROCK,
ARKANSAS. INDICATED HE WOULD PHONE LITTLE ROCK OFFICE
FOLLOWING ARRIVAL. DISPATCHER, MEMPHIS GREYHOUND OFFICE
ADVISED GROUP WILL RIDE AN OKLAHOMA TRANSPORTATION COMPANY
BUS NUMBER ZERO THREE SEVEN ZERO, WHICH IS SAME COLOR AS
GREYHOUND EQUIPMENT. THIS BUS DUE TO ARRIVE LITTLE ROCK
FOUR FORTYFIVE P. M. CST TODAY. [REDACTED] DID NOT FURNISH
FUTURE PLANS OR ITINERARY OF GROUP. GROUP SPEND NIGHT
AT OWEN COLLEGE, A NEGRO SCHOOL IN MEMPHIS. NO KNOWN
INCIDENTS. APPROPRIATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ADVISED
RE INTENDED DEPARTURE. LITTLE ROCK NOTIFY APPROPRIATE
AUTHORITIES. MEMPHIS WILL SUTEL FOLLOWING DEPARTURE.

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TO : Mr. Rosen *RW*

DATE: 7/21/61

FROM : SUBJECT: FREEBUS *Misc*

SA Helgesen, Jackson, Mississippi, called at 7:40 a.m., 7/21/61, to advise that the bus from Nashville which was due in Jackson at 5:35 a.m., EST, had a breakdown and is running about two and one-half hours late.

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FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /157-140/

C FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS

FREEBUS, RM. [REDACTED] ARRIVED MEMPHIS

AAL FLIGHT FOUR ONE FOUR, THREE ZERO THREE P. M. THIS DATE.

[REDACTED] REMAINED ON PLANE WHICH DEPARTED MEMPHIS THREE

FORTYFIVE P. M. SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE WDC EIGHT P. M.,

DEPART WDC EIGHT THIRTY P. M., ARRIVING LA GUARDIA, NINE

THIRTY P. M. [REDACTED] CONFIRMED TO LA GUARDIA. [REDACTED] DEPARTED

MEMPHIS AAL FLIGHT FIVE NINE ZERO WHICH ARRIVED NASHVILLE

SIX TWENTYFOUR P. M. [REDACTED] CONFIRMED ONLY TO NASHVILLE.

MEMPHIS WILL COVER [REDACTED] AT NASHVILLE. NEWARK AND DETROIT

ADVISED BY AM.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS 157-264

FREEBUS. [REDACTED] JACKSON, MISS., ADVISED
TODAY WILLIAM KUNSTLER, AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, ATTORNEY,
NYC, PRESENTLY IN JACKSON REPRESENTING FR PRISONER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN HABEAS CORPUS PROCEEDINGS, TOLD [REDACTED] TODAY HE
HAS BEEN RETAINED BY FR PRISONER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO ARE CONFINED MSP, PARCHMAN, MISS. KUNSTLER
SAID HE WILL FILE HABEAS CORPUS PROCEEDINGS FOR THESE TWO CLIENTS
IN MISS. STATE COURT IN NEAR FUTURE, AS HE FEELS THEY ARE BEING
HELD IN VIOLATION OF MISS. STATE CONSTITUTION. KUNSTLER TOLD

[REDACTED] HE EXPECTS U. S. FIFTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS TO RULE
AGAINST [REDACTED] APPEAL IN HABEAS CORPUS PROCEEDINGS AND STATED
WOULD APPEAL TO U. S. SUPREME COURT. ABOVE FOR INFO BUREAU.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-264

OF FREEDOM RIVERS - MISCELLANEOUS

FREEBUS. FIVE FR PRISONERS RELEASED NIGHT OF JULY TWENTYONE,
AND THREE FR PRISONERS RELEASED MORNING JULY TWENTYTWO,
ALL ON FIVE HUNDRED DOLLAR CASH APPEAL BONDS. IDENTITIES
FOLLOW BY AIRTEL. NO FR ARRESTED SINCE JULY TWENTYONE
SUMMARY. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY AS OF FOUR PM JULY TWENTYTWO.
TOTAL ARRESTED, TWO HUNDRED SIXTY. RELEASED ON BOND,
ONE HUNDRED TWENTYONE. PAID FINES, FOUR. RELEASED TO
ATTORNEY, ONE. RELEASED ON PROBATION, FOUR. NET IN
CUSTODY, ONE HUNDRED THIRTY. ALL FR EATING AT JACKSON
CITY JAIL AND HINDS COUNTY JAIL.

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TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 7-21-61

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: FREEBUS

FREEDOM RIDERS - Misc.

SYNOPSIS:

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Interracial group of clergymen met [redacted] at Tougaloo Christian College outside Jackson, Mississippi, to discuss freedom rides and methods of relieving racial tension. Martin Luther King spoke.

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[redacted] reportedly stated he, Martin Luther King and four others who attended meeting have an appointment with the Attorney General at 2:00 p.m., 7-21-61.

Jackson police stated a group which attended meeting was flying to Washington from Jackson, 8:45 p.m., 7-20-61, and might attempt to see the President or Attorney General. This group included [redacted]

Nine individuals, some of whom allegedly attended the meeting, arrested Jackson airport, 8:40 p.m., 7-20-61. None of those mentioned by [redacted] was arrested but arrests include [redacted]

MISS D.C.

Police state arrests took place when the group took seats in the waiting room and refused to move on. A press representative at the scene said arrests occurred when the group attempted to enter a cafe used only by white people.

Four freedom riders left Nashville by Greyhound bus to arrive at Jackson 5:35 a.m., CST, 7-21-61. (This is 7:35 a.m. Washington time.) Bus had breakdown and is running two and one-half hours late.

Two hundred fifty-six freedom riders arrested at Jackson since 5-24-61. One hundred eleven released on bond, four released after paying fines, one released without charges and four released on probation. One hundred thirty-six remain in custody.

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

Sheriff Gilfoxy advised Elmer ~~Brown~~, who allegedly was injured by falling from his bunk at Mississippi State Penitentiary 7-18-61, actually struck his head against the wall, original story was a fake.

Brown told press 7-20-61 he was misled by Congress of Racial Equality and regreted participating in freedom ride. Brown later attempted to hang himself in his cell after which Sheriff contacted Brown's lawyer and arrangements were made for him to be released on bond 7-21-61.

Freedom Action Committee of Chicago organized to recruit and train freedom riders, to raise funds for freedom riders and to encourage nonviolent action against discrimination in Chicago. Supporting organizations include CORE.

Freedom ride scheduled to depart Santa Monica, California, 7-28-61 will proceed to Jackson.

CORE, Baltimore, intends to send 18 additional freedom riders to the South.

Freedom riders who were at Memphis took bus to Little Rock 7-20-61 without incident and arranged to return to their homes by airplane.

ACTION:

A memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

DETAILS:

On 7-20-61 an interracial group of clergymen met at Tougaloo Christian College which is on the outskirts of Jackson, Mississippi. The purpose of the meeting reportedly was to discuss developments of freedom ride activity and methods of relieving racial tension throughout the nation. Reverend Martin Luther King was one of the principal speakers at the meeting which was closed to the public and press.

[redacted] who attended the above meeting, advised a reporter of the Associated Press that six of those who had attended the meeting, including Martin Luther King, have an appointment with the Attorney General for 2:00 p.m., 7-21-61. The group which [redacted] said will meet with the Attorney General is as follows:

miss.
[redacted]
Reverend Martin Luther King
Dr. John Bennett, Dean of Union Theological Seminary *10*
[redacted] Northern California Council of Churches *Calif.*
[redacted] Universal Zion Church, Palo Alto,
California
[redacted] Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Chief of Detectives M. B. Pierce, Jackson Police Department, confidentially advised that six of those who attended the meeting at Tougaloo Christian College were to leave Jackson via Delta Airlines at 8:45 p.m., Central Standard Time (CST), 7-20-61 en route to Washington, D. C. Pierce was of the opinion that the group, which included [redacted] might attempt to contact the President or the Attorney General.

At 8:40 p.m., CST, 7-20-61, a group of nine, which consisted of six white males, one white female and two Negro males, was arrested for breach of the peace at the Jackson Municipal Airport. It was stated that some of those arrested had attended the meeting at Tougaloo Christian College. None of those mentioned by [redacted] as having an appointment with the Attorney General was among the group which was arrested at the airport. [redacted]
[redacted] was among those arrested.

According to the police the arrest took place when the group entered the waiting room, took seats and failed to comply with instructions of the police that they move on. A press representative who was on the scene has advised that the arrest occurred when the group attempted to enter the cafe at the airport which is used only by white people.

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

Four white freedom riders were to arrive in Jackson by Greyhound bus from Nashville, Tennessee, at 5:35 a.m., CST, (7:35 a.m. Washington time), 7-21-61. However the bus suffered a breakdown and is running about two and one-half hours late.

Two hundred fifty-six freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since 5-24-61. One hundred eleven have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines, one has been released without the filing of charges and four have been released on probation. One hundred thirty-six remain in custody.

With regard to Elmer Brown, a freedom rider who allegedly was injured in a fall from his bunk at Mississippi State Penitentiary, 7-18-61, Sheriff J. Robert Gilfoy, Hinds County, Mississippi, advised he has determined that Brown actually struck his head against the wall and faked the story about falling from his bunk.

Brown talked to the press on 7-20-61 and said that he had been misled by the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) and regreted that he participated in the freedom ride. Sheriff Gilfoy subsequently advised that Brown attempted to hang himself in his cell but he was discovered by a trustee. The Sheriff then contacted Brown's lawyer on 7-20-61 and the lawyer arranged for Brown to be released on bond on 7-21-61.

The Freedom Action Committee of Chicago (FACC) has recently been established at the Greater Bethesda Baptist Church in Chicago. [redacted] the church, is [redacted] believed to be from Nashville, [redacted]

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FACC reportedly has organized to recruit and train freedom riders, to raise funds for freedom riders and to encourage nonviolent action against discrimination in Chicago. Organizations whose representatives will serve with FACC include CORE, the Urban League, National Organization of Social Workers and the American Friends Service Committee.

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

It has previously been reported that a freedom ride will depart from Santa Monica, California, on 7-28-61 but the destination of this group was unknown. Information has now been received that they will proceed to Jackson.

It has been reported that CORE in Baltimore, Maryland, plans to send 18 additional freedom riders to the South in the near future.

The freedom riders who were at Memphis, Tennessee, proceeded to Little Rock, Arkansas, by bus on 7-20-61 and ate in the bus terminal at Little Rock without incident. They then arranged to return to their homes by airplane.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157--264

FREEBUS, RM. FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY AS OF FOUR PM JULY TWENTYFIVE.

HINDS COUNTY SO TRANSFERRED THIRTEEN FR PRISONERS FROM JACKSON
JAILS TO MSP, PARCHMAN, MISS., JULY TWENTYFIVE. TWO FR RELEASED
ON BOND, JULY TWENTYTHREE THIS INFORMATION NOT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED
BY HINDS COUNTY SO AND TWO FR RELEASED ON BOND NIGHT JULY TWENTYFOUR.
IDENTITIES ALL ABOVE FOLLOW BY AIRTEL. NO FR ARRESTED SINCE JULY
TWENTYFOUR SUMMARY. TOTAL ARRESTED, TWO SEVEN ONE. RELEASED TO
ATTORNEY, ONE. RELEASED OF BOND, ONE TWO FIVE. PAID FINES, FOUR.
RELEASED ON PROBATION, FOUR. NET IN CUSTODY ONE THREE SEVEN. ALL
FR PRISONERS EATING AT JACKSON CITY JAIL AND HINDS COUNTY JAIL.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-264

FREEBUS.

NEW ORLEANS,

ADVISED EIGHT OR TEN FREEDOM RIDERS, IDENTITIES UNKNOWN,
EXPECTED TO ARRIVE NEW ORLEANS FROM WEST COAST BY NATIONAL
AIRLINES AT THREE TWENTY PM TODAY AND EXPECTED PROBABLY TO
LEAVE NEW ORLEANS BY TRAIN AT SEVEN TEN AM, JULY TWENTYTHREE,
FOR JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. THIS INFORMATION FURNISHED TO
NEW ORLEANS PD. INFORMATION AVAILABLE INDICATES THESE FREEDOM
RIDERS ARE FROM SAN FRANCISCO. SAN FRANCISCO REQUESTED TO
ADVISE NEW ORLEANS NAMES AND ANY BACKGROUND OR SUBVERSIVE
INFORMATION ON ANY GROUP POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH THIS
GROUP. NEW ORLEANS WILL KEEP BUREAU ADVISED.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-264)

RE: FREEBUS

Freedom Riders - MISCELLANEOUS
 On 7/19/61 Hinds County Sheriff J. ROBERT GILFOY, Jackson, Miss., advised the following Freedom Rider prisoners were transferred from the Hinds County Jail and Jackson City Jail to Miss. State Penitentiary, Parchman, Miss., 7/19/61:

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On 7/19/61 Deputy [redacted] Hinds County SO,
advised the following Freedom Rider prisoners were each
released on \$500 cash bond 7/19/61:

[redacted]
STOKELY CARMICHAEL

[redacted]
FRANK JOHNSON

[redacted]
On 7/20/61 [redacted] advised that Freedom Rider
prisoner [redacted] was released on \$500 cash appeal
bond 7/20/61.

On 7/21/61 [redacted] advised that Freedom Rider
prisoner ELMER L. BROWN was released on \$500 cash appeal
bond 7/21/61.

Above for info of Bureau.

7/26/61

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TO SAC JACKSONVILLE

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

Freedom Riders - Misc

FREEBUS, RM. REURTEL JULY ONE EIGHT CONCERNING SUIT FILED
BY NEGROES TO END SEGREGATION OF RESTAURANT AT TALLAHASSEE
AIRPORT WHICH STATED NEW BRIEFS TO BE FILED WITHIN FIVE DAYS AT
WHICH TIME DATE WILL BE SET FOR FURTHER HEARINGS. ADVISE STATUS
BY RETURN TEL.

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TO SAC JACKSONVILLE

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

FREEBUS, RM. REURTEL JULY ONE EIGHT CONCERNING SUIT FILES
BY NEGROES TO END SEGREGATION OF RESTAURANT AT TALLAHASSEE
AIRPORT WHICH STATED NEW BRIEFS TO BE FILED WITHIN FIVE DAYS AT
WHICH TIME DATE WILL BE SET FOR FURTHER HEARINGS. ADVISE STATUS
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TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: July 22, 1961

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: FREEBUS

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The four freedom riders consisting of two white males and two white females, who left Nashville, Tennessee, by Greyhound bus 7/21/61 but were delayed because of a bus breakdown, arrived at Jackson, Mississippi, at 9:31 AM, Central Standard Time (CST), 7/21/61. All four entered the colored waiting room in the bus terminal as a group and sat at the lunch counter. They were arrested by the Jackson, Mississippi, Police Department (PD) at 9:32 AM, CST, for breach of the peace when they failed to move on after ordered to do so by the PD.

The thirteen freedom riders arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, on 7/20/61 and 7/21/61 were tried in Jackson Municipal Court, 7/21/61, and were all convicted of breach of the peace and sentenced to four months in jail and fined \$200 each.

Elmer L. Brown, the freedom rider who reportedly attempted to hang himself in his cell on 7/20/61, was released on \$500 appeal bond 7/21/61. Also released on \$500 appeal bond was freedom rider [redacted] on 7/20/61.

Two hundred sixty freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since 5/24/61. One hundred thirteen have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines, one has been released without the filing of charges and four have been released on probation. One hundred thirty-eight remain in custody.

William Kunstler, American Civil Liberties Union Attorney of New York City, presently in Jackson representing freedom rider [redacted] in habeas corpus proceedings, informed a newspaper reporter on 7/21/61 that he has been retained by freedom rider prisoners; [redacted] who are confined in the Mississippi State Penitentiary at Parchman. He intends to file habeas corpus proceedings for these two clients in the Mississippi State Court in the near future as he feels they are being held in violation of the Mississippi State Constitution. Kunstler told the reporter he expects the U. S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals to rule against [redacted] appeal in the habeas corpus proceedings and that he intends to carry the appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court.

ENCLOSURE sent 7-22-61

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1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Evans

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cc MR. TOLSON

Memorandum for Mr. Belmont

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[redacted] who were arrested at Jackson, [redacted] as a result of picketing a meeting of southern governors at the Heidelberg Hotel, were tried in Jackson Municipal Court, 7/21/61, on charges of breach of the peace. Both were found guilty and each was fined \$200 and sentenced to four months in jail. The defendants were represented by William Kunstler mentioned above, assisted by a local attorney, [redacted] MISS

With reference to the group of clergymen who were previously reported to have an appointment with the Attorney General on 7/21/61 and were to proceed from Jackson, Mississippi, press reports indicate that seven clergymen flew to Washington and called on the Attorney General on 7/21/61. According to the press report the group included white and Negro ministers of several denominations and one rabbi and that the Attorney General urged the nation's clergymen to play a more active role in fighting racial discrimination.

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A memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-NEW

OF FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS
FREEBUS. FOUR FR CONSISTING OF ONE WM, TWO NM, AND ONE NF, ARRESTED
AT JACKSON, MISS. MUNICIPAL AIRPORT TERMINAL AFTER ARRIVING THREE
TWENTY NINE PM, CST, JULY TWENTY FOUR ON FLIGHT FROM MONTGOMERY, ALA.
ALL ARRESTED IN WAITING ROOM AND CHARGED BREACH OF PEACE WHEN FAILED
TO MOVE ON THE ORDERS OF PD. NO INCIDENTS. TWO WHITE TEENAGE BOYS
WHO ARRIVED ON FLIGHT WITH GROUP DID NOT ATTEMPT TO TEST FACILITIES
AND WERE NOT ARRESTED. THE TWO TEENAGERS OBSERVED LEAVING TERMINAL
VIA TAXI. IDENTITIES OF THOSE ARRESTED FOLLOW BY TEL.

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URGENT 7--24--61 7--54PM CST JC

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS *FREEDOM RIDERS MISCELLANEOUS*

FREEBUS. FOLLOWING ARE NAMES AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA FROM PD
RECORDS FOR THE FOUR FR ARRESTED JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT
TERMINAL JULY TWENTYFOUR. *MISS*

ALA., BORN

FLA., LBS.,

EYES, HAIR, STUDENT HIGH SCHOOL. ARRESTED

PENSACOLA PD RELEASED TO JUVINILE COURT, *MISS*

ADMITS SIT-IN PENSACOLA NO DATE. *MISS*

ALA., BORN

ALA., LBS., EYES,

HAIR, STUDENT ADMITS SIT-IN TALLAHASSEE

MISS.
NO DATE.

BORN ALA.,

EYES, HAIR, MINISTER AME ZION CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ADMITS PRAYER PILGRIMAGE MONTGOMERY *PLS*

MEMBER MONTGOMERY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION. CECIL A. THOMAS, NINE SIX

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CECIL A. THOMAS

NINESIX TWO ORDWAY ST. ALBANY, CALIF, WM, BORN SIX-FOURTEEN-SEVENTEEN, FRANK-
FORT, OHIO, FIVE ELEVEN, TWO TWO FIVE LBS, BLUE EYES, GREY HAIR,
SECRETARY YMCA, BERKLEY, CALIF. ADMITS SIT-IN COLUMBUS, OHIO
FORTYFIVE- FORTYSIX, PEACE WALK SAN FRANCISCO NO DATE, IS CONSCIENTIOUS
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI *0* *FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS*
FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-264

FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY AS OF SIX PM JULY TWENTYFOUR. SEVEN FR
ARRESTED ICRR JULY TWENTYTHREE TRIED JACKSON MUNICIPAL COURT
JULY TWENTYFOUR FOR VIOLATION SECTION TWO ZERO EIGHT SEVEN
POINT FIVE MISS. CODE. ALL SENTENCED FOUR MONTHS JAIL AND FINED TWO
HUNDRED DOLLARS. NO INCIDENTS AT TRIAL. NO FR PRISONERS RELEASED
ON BOND OR OTHERWISE SINCE JULY TWENTYTHREE SUMMARY. TOTAL
ARRESTED TWO SEVEN ONE, RELEASED ON BOND ONE TWO ONE. PAID FINES
FOUR. RELEASED TO ATTORNEY ONE. RELEASED ON PROBATION FOUR.
NET IN CUSTODY ONE FOUR ONE. ALL FR PRISONERS EATING AT HINDS
COUNTY JAIL AND JACKSON CITY JAIL.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7/24/61

FROM : *fh* SAC, HOUSTON (44-786)

SUBJECT: FREEBUS
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Reference is made to Bulet dated 7/19/61 to
[redacted] Texas.

For the information of the Bureau and the New
York office, Houston indices are negative relative to
[redacted] *10/11/61*

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The Attorney General

July 27, 1961

Director, FBI

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FREEDOM RIDE 1961 - misc #428603
RACIAL MATTERS; DESTRUCTION OF
AIRCRAFT OR MOTOR VEHICLES; CIVIL RIGHTS

The four freedom riders who were arrested in Jackson, Mississippi, on July 24, 1961, were convicted in municipal court on July 26, 1961. Each was sentenced to serve four months in jail and was fined \$200.

Two hundred seventy-one freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since May 24, 1961. One hundred fifty-three have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines, one has been released without the filing of charges and four have been released on probation. One hundred nine remain in custody.

The Freedom Action Committee of Chicago plans to hold a rally on July 30, 1961, in Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of raising funds to finance the recruiting and training of freedom riders.

In connection with the suit previously filed at Tallahassee, Florida, by three Negro plaintiffs who seek to end segregation of the restaurant in the Tallahassee airport, a brief was filed for the plaintiffs on July 25, 1961. The brief alleges that a three-judge court is not necessary because the suit does not raise a constitutional point but the only issue involved is whether the concessionaire, under color of state law, denies food service to Negroes solely because of their race. The defendants have five days to reply and no date has been set for a further hearing.

[redacted] who resides in Montgomery County near Davenport, Alabama, allegedly wrote a letter to the "Montgomery Advertiser" in which she expressed approval of the freedom riders. On the evening of July 24, 1961,

1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Evans

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approximately ten men, all but one of whom were hooded, allegedly entered the [redacted] home and asked, "Who wrote the letter?" One of the men reportedly made a statement to the effect, "We are going to teach you that you are better off like you are." The unhooded man was white.

We have been informed that [redacted] [redacted] were beaten and required medical treatment. The intruders allegedly fired shotguns and pistols in the house and tore up the furniture and fixtures. Arrangements have been made to obtain full details from [redacted] [redacted] on July 27, 1961, and the results will be promptly furnished to the Department.

Further developments will be reported to the Department on a current basis.

- 1 - Mr. Byron R. White
Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General
Burke Marshall
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General
Herbert J. Miller, Jr.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-387)
 FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-264)
 SUBJECT: FREEBUS
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*Freedom Riders**Miscellaneous*

Enclosed are eight copies of a letterhead memo titled
 "FREEDOM RIDERS, SHREVEPORT, LA." The info was furnished on 7/18/61
 by [redacted] whose identity
 must be kept confidential.

MAYNOR

C. C. Wick

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New Orleans, Louisiana

July 21, 1961

In Reply, Please Refer to
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FREEDOM RIDERS
SHREVEPORT, LA.

A confidential source advised that on July 18, 1961, B. ELTON COX made the public statement at High Point, North Carolina that he wanted to return to Shreveport, Louisiana to help desegregate the city. He said that nothing is integrated in Shreveport and he would like to aid Congress of Racial Equality in conducting an integration campaign there.

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UNITED STATES

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: July 25, 1961

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: FREEBUS

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Four freedom riders were arrested at the Jackson, Mississippi, airport, 7/24/61, shortly after their arrival by airplane from Montgomery, Alabama. They were charged with breach of the peace when they failed to comply with instructions of the police that they move on.

The seven freedom riders who were arrested at the railroad station in Jackson on 7/23/61 were convicted in Jackson Municipal Court on 7/24/61. Each was sentenced to serve four months in jail and was fined \$200.

Two hundred seventy-one freedom riders have been arrested since 5/24/61 at Jackson, Mississippi. One hundred twenty-one have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines, one has been released without the filing of charges and four have been released on probation. One hundred forty-one remain in custody.

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A memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney

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The Attorney General

July 26, 1961

Director, FBI

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[redacted] who was arrested as a freedom rider at Jackson, Mississippi, on July 21, 1961, has been a member and officer of the Wisconsin Socialist Club (WSC), a student organization at the University of Wisconsin. On [redacted] meeting of WSC was held in [redacted] apartment and those present included [redacted] Communist Party. The WSC has been active in protesting the Government's relations with Cuba.

[redacted] reportedly was a member of Friends of the Soviet Union Film and Photo League in 1949 and in April, 1960, attended a luncheon held for the purpose of raising funds for the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell. He also reportedly was an undercover leader of the Communist Party in a campaign to discredit the FBI. [redacted] has visited Russia on several occasions and has collaborated with the Russian government as an architect. He was active on the Architectural Committee of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship.

Two hundred seventy-one freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, since May 24, 1961. One hundred twenty-five have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines, one has been released without the filing of charges and four have been released on probation. One hundred thirty-seven remain in custody.

Further pertinent developments will be promptly brought to the attention of the Department.

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TO: DIRECTOR FBI
FROM: SAC KNOXVILLE (157-130)
RE: FREE BUS
CHATTANOOGA, TENN.
RACIAL MATTERS

Re KX tel to Bureau, ME, and LR 7/19/61.
FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS
Submitted herewith is one copy of newspaper
article which appeared in the Chattanooga News-Free Press,
7/19/61, a daily publication, Chattanooga, Tenn.

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'Riders' Leave City for Memphis; Rabbi Says Visit Here 'Pleasant'



'FREEDOM RIDERS' DEPART FOR MEMPHIS—After a peaceful, pleasant three-day visit in Chattanooga, five "freedom riders" are shown as they boarded a Greyhound bus today at 10 a.m. for Memphis. They are, left to right, Rabbi Herman Stern, River Ridge, N.J.; Henry Thomas, St. Augustine, Fla.; Rabbi Sidney Shanker, Cranford, N.J.; John C. Harvard, Elizabeth, N.J., and Woolcott K. Smith, Vineyard Haven, Mass.—(Staff photo by Bob Sherrill.)

By **GEORGE BURNHAM**
Five "freedom riders," who arrived in Chattanooga Sunday without fanfare, departed by bus for Memphis at 10 a.m. today amid some more of the same.

The only incident reported during their peaceful three-day visit was a refusal of service at Howard Johnson Restaurant. And they have threatened to sue the entire national chain about that.

"We have had a pleasant stay in Chattanooga," commented Rabbi Sidney Shanker as he enjoyed a cup of coffee in the Greyhound Bus Terminal cafeteria with his fellow riders and

three local Negro ministers. With the exception of a reporter and waitresses, they were alone in the cafeteria.

While getting under way, the riders said they were undecided about continuing into Mississippi after a short stay in Memphis.

Rabbi Shanker, 39, Cranford, N.J., said the trip may end in Memphis and that some might return to their homes.

But Henry Thomas, 19, St. Augustine, Fla., one of the original freedom riders who has already spent 45 days in Mississippi jails, then remarked: "I see where the state is advertising it has some empty jail

space. I may go back down there and take up some of it."

Other members of the group, joining these two in agreeing that a decision about Mississippi will be made at Memphis, were Rabbi Herman Stern, 30, River Ridge, N.J.; John C. Harvard, 39, Elizabeth, N.J., and Woolcott K. Smith, 20, Vineyard Haven, Mass.

The five riders attended an integrationist rally Tuesday night at Second Baptist Church, Grove Place, along with several hundred Chattanooga Negroes. Atty. Gen. Robert Kennedy, Sen. Barry Goldwater and the

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'RIDERS' LEAVE FOR MEMPHIS

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Howard Johnson Restaurant were blasted in a scatter of charges.

During the rally, announcements were made that agitation for complete integration was going to get "scalding hot" instead of cooling off.

Principal speaker was F. L. Shuttlesworth, a Negro integrationist leader from Birmingham. As he began his address he recognized a "good friend" in the audience from Highlander Folk School. The white youth, carrying a banjo, had arrived late.

Another speaker was Henry Thomas, 19, St. Augustine, Fla., one of the original "freedom riders," who was jailed in Mississippi and denied that the riders were given "red carpet" treatment.

Shuttlesworth was introduced by the Rev. C. T. Vivian of Chattanooga, another "freedom rider" jailed in Mississippi, who was described as a leader of the local movement.

The spokesman from Birmingham said "it's full speed ahead now; we have gone too

far to turn back. Like Adm. Farragut said, damn the torpedoes. . . . A strange wind is blowing in the world and it's blowing empires away."

He then asked and answered a question:

"When will the freedom rides end?"

"They will end when Mississippi and Alabama have learned a lesson in social justices. They will end when men are free to ride."

Wild bursts of applause and shouts greeted this and other points of his talk.

Denying charges that the entire integrationist movement is Communist inspired, he said, "We are not concerned with what we are called; we are concerned with where we are going."

In a reference to Sen. Goldwater, he said, "if Goldwater has his way, a lot of gains we thought we had will be taken away."

And, in speaking of Atty. Gen. Kennedy, the speaker said, "He did send the marshals to Alabama, but I notice he didn't send them down there until one of his own men had gotten beat up. And now when he asks us to cool off he just doesn't understand that we have been cool too long. We are going to get hotter. You can't skin a hog until the water is scalding hot."

"We are not going to be a slave to any political party. We are not going to be anybody's patsy."

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-225892)

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (157-140)

SUBJECT: 0 FREEDOM RIDERS - misc
RACIAL MATTERSALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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Re Richmond teletype to Bureau, Knoxville, Memphis, and other offices 7/15/61; re teletype Memphis to Bureau and Knoxville 7/17/61; and re teletype Knoxville to Bureau, Birmingham, and Memphis 7/17/61.

Enclosed herewith for Bureau are 8 copies of letterhead memorandum dated 7/19/61 captioned as above and 8 copies of FD 323. Enclosed for Knoxville are two copies of the letterhead memorandum and two copies of FD 323 and for Atlanta two copies of each.

Dissemination of the enclosed letterhead memorandum is being made to 3rd Army Headquarters, Ft. McPherson, Georgia.

The confidential source mentioned in the memorandum is [redacted] who furnished information orally to SA WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE on 7/17/61.

[redacted] advised that [redacted] of Memphis, arrived in Chattanooga, Tennessee, about [redacted] to attend the Dixie Klans, Inc., convention to be held [redacted]

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Informant pointed out that JACK W. BROWN, Grand Wizard of Dixie Klans, and [redacted] as well as other Klansmen, names not recalled, [redacted] were particularly suspicious of [redacted] a Dixie Klans member [redacted] JACK W. BROWN and others have in the past "fed" [redacted] false information in which they indicated that they planned or had committed certain acts of violence. [redacted] the FBI, the Chattanooga, Tennessee, Police Department, or the Tennessee Highway Patrol would conduct a big investigation concerning this "fed" information. [redacted] is bound to be an informant of the FBI or of some other law enforcement agency.

Informant said that [redacted] was not present on the night of [redacted] at the Dixie Klans [redacted] Chattanooga, when JACK W. BROWN and others discussed the possibility of [redacted]

[redacted] was present at the [redacted] Dixie Klans meeting and was treated [redacted] by other Klansmen. In fact, [redacted] cautioned [redacted]

[redacted] posed the question as to whether or not BROWN and others [redacted]

With regard to specifics of the discussion re possibility of [redacted] advised as follows:

On the night of [redacted] [redacted] Dixie Klans, accompanied by Memphis Klan member [redacted] went to the Dixie Klans meeting hall [redacted] located at [redacted] Chattanooga. Others present were JACK W. BROWN, Imperial Wizard, Dixie Klans; one [redacted] white male about [redacted] years old, weighing [redacted] pounds, [redacted] hair and [redacted] This person was a rough talker and kept advocating violence against Negro integrationists and their supporters, but in general terms. Also present was [redacted] of Chattanooga.

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Someone present had heard a television report to the effect that a mixed racial group of "Freedom Riders" was due to arrive in Chattanooga, Tennessee, on 7/16/61 from Knoxville, Tennessee. [REDACTED] in referring to the "Freedom Riders" asked JACK W. BROWN, "What can we do about them?"

Thereafter, all present discussed possible action which Dixie Klans members could take against the "Freedom Riders" either before or after their arrival in Chattanooga.

[REDACTED]

The big problem according to BROWN was to determine on which bus the "Riders" would leave Chattanooga.

[REDACTED]

In view of the stringent efforts of the Dixie Klans to determine identities of informants within the organization, it is urged that caution be utilized in the dissemination of information set out in enclosed letterhead memorandum.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Memphis, Tennessee
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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By communication dated July 14, 1961, the Newark FBI Division advised that a "Freedom Rider" group of five individuals from the east coast of the United States was en route to Chattanooga, Tennessee, at which point they were to arrive at 2:45 p.m., July 16, 1961; that their possible ultimate destinations were to be either Memphis, Tennessee, or Little Rock, Arkansas. These five persons were identified as [redacted] *ng*

[redacted] student of Michigan State University;

[redacted] Cranford, New Jersey; *Tenn Ark*

Tenn Ark [redacted] of River Edge, New Jersey; *Tenn Ark*

Tenn Ark [redacted] of New York City, who was a student at Howard University, Washington, D. C.; and [redacted]

[redacted] Elizabeth, New Jersey. *Tenn Ark*

The "Commercial Appeal" newspaper, Memphis, Tennessee, issue of July 17, 1961, reported, in an article captioned, "Riders Reach Chattanooga" reported in an Associated Press dispatch, that five so-called "Freedom Riders" from New Jersey had arrived in Chattanooga, Tennessee, in two Greyhound buses and had proceeded to join Negro leaders for lunch in the bus terminal cafeteria and that no incidents occurred.

[redacted] Confidential Informant T-1 advised that informant had learned that a convention of the Dixie Klans, Incorporated, was held in Chattanooga, Tennessee, on the weekend of July 15 and 16, 1961. During this meeting, some of the Klansmen discussed the scheduled arrival of the above "Riders" in Chattanooga, Tennessee. They were most contemptuous of the "Riders" and some of them discussed the possibility of physically harming the "Riders" when they left Chattanooga at an undetermined date.

They considered the possibility of [redacted]

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Jack W. ~~A~~Brown. Imperial Wizard of the Dixie Klans.
suggested that

No definite plans were formulated and no specific assignments were given to any of the members.

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Title: FREEDOM RIDERS

Character: RACIAL MATTERS

Reference: Memorandum at Memphis,
Tennessee, dated July 19, 1961.

All sources (except any listed below) used in
referenced communication have furnished reliable informa-
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Reporting Office NEW ORLEANS	Office of Origin NEW ORLEANS	Date 7/19/61	Investigative Period 6/16-7/5/61
TITLE OF CASE FREEDOM RIDE, 1961 TRAILWAYS BUS MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI JUNE 21, 1961		Report made by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON	Typed By: dfs
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FREEDOM RIDERS. MISCELLANEOUS

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Chicago airtel and letterhead memorandas, 6/16/61, to Bureau.
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Atlanta tel to Bureau, 6/19/61.
Atlanta tel to Bureau, 6/20/61.
Mobile tel to Bureau, 6/20/61.
Mobile tels to Bureau, 6/21/61.
New Orleans phone call to Bureau, 6/21/61.
New Orleans tel to Bureau, 6/21/61.
Atlanta airtel and letterhead memoranda to Bureau, 6/22/61.

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AT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. Will report disposition of
convicted Freedom Riders.

Approved <i>H. E. Jones</i>	Special Agent In Charge	Do not write in spaces below
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Report of: SA HUNTER E. HELGESON
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Title: FREEDOM RIDE, 1961
TRAILWAYS BUS
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA TO
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI
JUNE 21, 1961ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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Character: RACIAL MATTERS; CIVIL RIGHTS

Synopsis:

9 Freedom Riders, identified in details of report, arrived Jackson, Miss., via Trailways Bus, at 6:08 p.m., 6/21/61. All arrested by Jackson PD at Trailways Terminal when they failed to obey the orders of Jackson PD officer to move on. All charged with breach of the peace. No incidents at time of arrest. All tried in Jackson Municipal Court, 6/22/61, and after NG pleas were convicted of violation of Section 2087.5, Miss. Code. All sentenced to 4 months in jail and fined \$200.00. No incidents during trial. 3 Freedom Riders released bond 6/27/61, remainder transferred to MSP, Parchman, Miss., 6/28/61.

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DETAILS:

Investigation in this case was predicated upon information furnished by the Atlanta Office of the FBI on June 19, 1961 advising that a group of Freedom Riders were scheduled to arrive in Jackson, Mississippi via Trailways Bus on June 21, 1961.

By communication dated June 16, 1961, the Chicago Office advised that information had been received that the following three individuals from Chicago, Illinois would leave Chicago, June 16, 1961, en route Nashville, Tennessee, and then to Jackson, Mississippi:

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By communication dated June 18, 1961, the Memphis Office advised that information had been received that a group of Freedom Riders would leave Nashville, Tennessee, June 18, 1961 en route Atlanta, Georgia. In Atlanta, they would join with another group of Freedom Riders and leave Atlanta, June 19, 1961, en route Jackson, Mississippi, via Montgomery, Alabama.

By communication dated June 19, 1961, the Atlanta Office advised that [REDACTED] Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Atlanta, advised June 19, 1961, that a group of Freedom Riders, including those who arrived from Nashville, Tennessee, June 18, 1961, and consisting of approximately 7 or 8 total, would leave Atlanta by Greyhound Bus, 12:40 p.m., June 20, 1961. They planned to go to Montgomery, Alabama where they would spend the night and leave 11:30 a.m., June 21, 1961 for Jackson, Mississippi via Trailways Bus.

By communication dated June 20, 1961, the Mobile Office advised that 9 Freedom Riders arrived Montgomery, Alabama at 5:01 p.m., June 20, 1961, via Greyhound Bus. Group consisted of 4 Negro males, 1 Negro female, 1 white male, and 3 white females. They were met at the station by Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY and an unknown Negro male.

By communication dated June 21, 1961, the Mobile Office advised that the 9 Freedom Riders who arrived Montgomery, Alabama, June 20, 1961, planned to depart Montgomery, Alabama for Jackson, Mississippi, 11:30 a.m., June 21, 1961, via Trailways Bus.

Information concerning this matter was furnished to the following individuals on June 21, 1961 by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON:

Captain [REDACTED] Police Department, Jackson,
Mississippi.

Chief DAVE GAYDEN, Mississippi Highway Safety
Patrol, Jackson, Mississippi.

Chief Deputy FRANK JONES, Hinds County Sheriff's
Office, Jackson, Mississippi.

[REDACTED] CIC, Jackson, Mississippi.

[REDACTED]
Jackson, Mississippi.

Date 6/27/61

Regular scheduled Trailways west-bound bus arrived at the station in Meridian, Mississippi at 3:37 p.m., June 21, 1961. It was escorted to the station by cars from the Sheriff's Office and Police Department and was escorted away by the same group at 3:47 p.m.

A mixed group was noted in the back of the bus. They made no apparent attempt to get off the bus in Meridian.

When the bus stopped, Patrolman [] and Captain [] entered the front of the bus with the intention of telling all passengers that only those with tickets to Meridian should disembark at Meridian. [] was seen telling the passengers something, but as the motor was running it was not possible to tell what he said.

A few minutes before arrival of the bus, uniformed members of the Police Department blocked off the area around the bus station for about a two block radius and instructed all persons in the bus stations who did not hold bus tickets to depart.

Members of the Meridian Star newspaper were present. One of them had the riders in the rear of the bus to open the window and was trying to get a Negro man and a white girl to pose together in the window when he was told by Chief of Police O. A. BOOKER to desist.

There were no incidents.

Deputy Sheriff [] in a Sheriff's car, said he had escorted the bus from the Alabama line and would escort it to the Newton County line.

On 6/21/61 at Meridian, Miss. File # 157-313

by SA [] /dfs Date dictated 6/21/61

Date 7/3/61

The following observations were made at the Trailways Bus Terminal, Jackson, Mississippi on June 21, 1961:

Trailways Bus #T2953 arrived at the Jackson Trailways Terminal at 6:08 p.m. Of the passengers who got off this bus, 1 white male, 3 white females, 4 Negro males and 1 Negro female entered the white waiting room of the bus terminal as a group. They stopped near the magazine rack and Captain [] of the Jackson Police Department was observed to speak to them. At 6:12 p.m., Captain [] was heard telling the group that they were under arrest. At this point, they all left the waiting room, escorted by Jackson Police officers and entered a waiting police patrol wagon.

There were no incidents in connection with the above arrests.

On 6/21/61 at Jackson, Miss. File # 157-313
by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON /dfs Date dictated 6/28/61

Date 6/27/61

Continental Trailways Bus #T2953 was observed to arrive at the Continental Trailways Bus Terminal, Jackson, at 6:08 p.m. A group of nine (9) individuals, one (1) white male, three (3) white females, four (4) Negro males and one (1) Negro female, entered the white waiting room of the bus terminal and proceeded to the newsstand. The group was ordered to move on by Captain [redacted] Jackson Police Department. The members of the group failed to do so and all of them were placed under arrest at 6:12 p.m. In response to an inquiry by one of the members of the group as to the nature of the charge, Captain [redacted] informed them the charge was breach of the peace. All the members of the group were then escorted to the front of the bus terminal where all nine of them were placed in a patrol wagon which later departed in the direction of the Jackson Police Department Jail.

On 6/21/61 at Jackson, Miss. File # 157-313
by SA JAMES E. WHITFIELD /dfs Date dictated 6/21/61

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Chief of Detectives M. E. PIERCE, Police Department, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that the Freedom Riders whose names are listed below were arrested by Captain [redacted] Jackson Police Department, at the Trailways Bus Terminal, Jackson, 6:15 p.m., June 21, 1961. All were charged with breach of the peace. According to PIERCE, this group had alighted from a Trailways bus from Montgomery, Alabama and had entered the white waiting room of the trailways terminal at Jackson as a group. They were arrested when they refused to obey Captain [redacted] orders to move on. PIERCE stated they would probably be tried in Jackson Municipal Court at 3:00 p.m., June 22, 1961. He advised there were no incidents at the time of arrest:

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address - [redacted] PA.
[redacted] New York. Race - ALA
[redacted] Sex - [redacted] Age - [redacted] Date of birth - MISS
[redacted] Place of birth - New YORK. Height - [redacted] Weight - [redacted] Eyes - [redacted] TEMP
[redacted] Hair - [redacted] Complexion - [redacted] Build - [redacted]
Occupation - Student. Marital Status - [redacted]
Father - [redacted]
[redacted] New York. Mother - [redacted]
same address. Education - 2 years college, Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania. Admits - picketing [redacted] Woolworth's at New York City, New York and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; member of CORE; has been member of NAACP.

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address - [redacted] ALA
[redacted] Massachusetts. Race - [redacted] MISS
[redacted] Sex - [redacted] Age - [redacted] Date of birth - [redacted] TEMP
[redacted] Place of birth - [redacted] Massachusetts.
Height - [redacted] Weight - [redacted] Eyes - [redacted]
Hair - [redacted] Complexion - [redacted] Build - [redacted]
Occupation - Student. Marital Status - [redacted]
Father - [redacted] same address. Mother - [redacted]
[redacted] same address. Education - 4 years college, Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts. Admits - member NAACP; picketing Woolworth's [redacted] Northampton, Massachusetts.

On 6/21/61 at Jackson, Miss. File # 157-313

by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON /dfs Date dictated 6/28/61

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[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address - [redacted]
[redacted] Georgia.
Race [redacted] Sex [redacted] Age [redacted] Date
of birth [redacted] Place of birth -
[redacted] Kentucky. Height [redacted]
Weight [redacted] Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted]
Complexion [redacted] Build [redacted] Occupation -
Student. Marital status - Single. Father -
[redacted] (deceased): Mother [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] Georgia. Education - 2 years college,
Newcomb College, New Orleans, Louisiana.
Admits - Sit-in, New Orleans, Louisiana [redacted]
picketing, Atlanta, Georgia [redacted] member of
CORE. Prior Arrests - New Orleans, Louisiana
[redacted] for racial pamphlets, case appealed.

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[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address - [redacted]
[redacted] Illinois.
Race [redacted] Sex [redacted] Age [redacted] Date
of birth [redacted] Place of birth -
[redacted] West Virginia. Height [redacted]
Weight [redacted] Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted]
Complexion [redacted] Build [redacted] Occupation -
[redacted] Illinois.
[redacted] Marital Status - [redacted]
Father [redacted] Mother -
[redacted] West Virginia. Education -
4 years college, West Virginia State College.
Admits - Member CORE: picketed Woolworth's
Chicago, Illinois, [redacted]

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[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address - [redacted]
[redacted] Ohio. Race -
[redacted] Sex [redacted] Age [redacted] Date of birth -
[redacted] Place of birth - [redacted] Ohio.
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Hair [redacted] Complexion [redacted] Build -
[redacted] Occupation - [redacted]
Cleveland, Ohio. Marital Status [redacted]
Father [redacted] same address. Mother -
[redacted] same address. Education -
3 years [redacted] Prior Arrests -
Cleveland, Ohio [redacted]
Admits - Member NAACP; picketing Cleveland, Ohio,
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Date of birth - [redacted] Place of birth - [redacted]
Weight [redacted] Height [redacted]
Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted]
Complexion [redacted] Build [redacted] Occupation - [redacted]
Marital Status [redacted] Father [redacted]
[redacted] New York. Mother - [redacted]
[redacted] deceased. Education -
4 years college, 2 years graduate, City College
New York and Columbia University, New York,
New York. Admits - Picketing and sit-in,
Lexington, Kentucky [redacted] has been member of
NAACP.

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[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address [redacted]
[redacted] Georgia
Sex [redacted] Race [redacted] Age [redacted]
Date of birth - [redacted] Place of birth - [redacted]
[redacted] New Jersey Height [redacted]
Weight [redacted] Eyes [redacted]
Complexion [redacted] Build [redacted] Occupation - [redacted]
Housewife. Marital Status - [redacted] Father [redacted]
[redacted] New Jersey. Mother - [redacted]
[redacted] Educa-
tion - 4 years college, Howard University,
Washington, D. C. Admits - Sit-in and picketing,
Department Stores, Richmond, Virginia; member
of NAACP.

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[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address [redacted]
[redacted] Georgia. Race - [redacted]
Sex [redacted] Age [redacted] Date of birth - [redacted]
[redacted] Place of birth [redacted]
Massachusetts. Height [redacted] Weight [redacted]
Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted] Complexion [redacted]
Build [redacted] Occupation [redacted]
Marital Status [redacted] Father [redacted]
[redacted] New
Jersey. Mother [redacted] (deceased).

9 MEMBER OF NAACP

NO 157-313

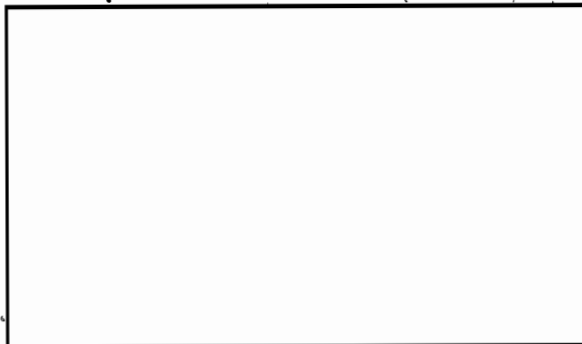
Education - 3 years, Virginia Union University
(BD). Prior Arrests - Petersburg, Virginia
(no date) sit-in, Montgomery, Alabama - breach
of the peace, [redacted] Admits - Member NAACP;
picketing in Petersburg and Atlanta.

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address -
[redacted] Alabama. Race -
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[redacted] Place of birth [redacted]
[redacted] Alabama. Height [redacted] Weight [redacted]
Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted] Complexion -
[redacted] Build [redacted] Occupation - Student.
Marital Status - [redacted] Father [redacted]
[redacted] same address. Mother [redacted]
[redacted] same address. Education - 2 years
college, Talladega College, Alabama. Admits -
Integration of [redacted] Anniston, Alabama,
[redacted]
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Date 7/3/61

Chief of Detectives M. B. PIERCE, Police Department, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that the following individuals were tried in Jackson Municipal Court, Jackson, Mississippi, at 3:00 p.m., June 22, 1961:

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He stated that all of the above individuals were tried for violation of Section 2037.5 of the Mississippi Code. All entered pleas of not guilty through their attorney [redacted] Jackson, Mississippi. Captain [redacted] was the only witness called for the prosecution. No defense witnesses were called. All defendants were convicted and sentenced to four months in jail and fined \$200. According to [redacted] some of the defendants would be transferred to the Hinds County Jail to serve out their sentences and fines and some would be housed in the Jackson City Jail to assist the Sheriff in overcoming crowded facilities at the County Jail.

PIERCE advised that there were no incidents during the course of the trial.

On 6/22/61 at Jackson, Miss. File # 157-313
by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON /dfs Date dictated 6/28/61

NO 157-313

On June 27, 1961, Office Deputy [redacted] Hinds County Sheriff's Office, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that the following Freedom Riders were released on \$500 cash appeal bond on June 27, 1961:

[redacted] advised that all of the above three would leave on the night of June 27, 1961 via airline for Atlanta, Georgia.

On June 28, 1961, [redacted] Associated Press reporter, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that after being released on bond Freedom Rider WYATT TEE WALKER told members of the press that when he checked out of the Hinds County Jail, his diamond ring valued at \$275.00, plus about \$75.00 in cash was missing from his personal belongings. [redacted] advised that Sheriff J. ROBERT GILFOY, Hinds County, had advised the press that he would institute an immediate investigation into these charges.

On July 5, 1961, Sheriff J. ROBERT GILFOY, Hinds County, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that on July 5, 1961 it had been determined that the diamond ring and money reported stolen from Freedom Rider [redacted] had actually been stolen by a Negro trusty in the Hinds County Jail. According to Sheriff GILFOY, the trusty had been responsible for placing the personal effects of all Freedom Riders arrested in a room at the jail and had apparently taken the money and the ring from [redacted] effects while placing them in the room. According to the Sheriff, the ring had not been recovered to date as the trusty had dropped it into an inaccessible place between two steel plates in a cell in order to hide it. The money was reportedly divided between the trusty who stole it and two other trustys at the Hinds County Jail. Sheriff GILFOY said his investigation was continuing. He also indicated that [redacted] would be reimbursed for any loss sustained.

On June 28, 1961, Sheriff J. ROBERT GILFOY, Hinds County, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that the following Freedom Riders were transferred from the Hinds County Jail and the Jackson City Jail to the Mississippi State Penitentiary, Parchman, Mississippi on June 28, 1961:

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
JUL 26 1961

TELETYPE

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Evans	_____
Mr. Malone	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
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Mr. Ingram	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI *FREEDOM RIDERS - MISC*
FROM SAC, JACKSONVILLE /157-246/ 2P

CORE, RACIAL MATTERS, FREEBUS, RACIAL MATTERS. REMYTEL, JULY EIGHTEEN, LAST. DEPUTY CLERK, USDC, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA, ADVISED [REDACTED] NAACP ATTORNEY FROM MIAMI, FILED BRIEF IN BEHALF OF PLAINTIFFS IN INSTANT SUIT IN USDC, TALLAHASSEE, PM OF JULY TWENTY FIVE, LAST. BRIEF CONTENDS THERE IS NO NEED FOR CONSTITUTIONAL TEST OF FLORIDA LAW GIVING RESTAURANT OPERATORS THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE HIS CUSTOMER IN SETTLING INSTANT INTEGRATION SUIT. [REDACTED] IN BRIEF QUESTIONED NECESSITY OF CONVENING A THREE JUDGE COURT BEFORE INJUNCTIVE RELIEF CAN BE GRANTED. [REDACTED] POINTED OUT THAT THREE NEGRO PROTESTANT MINISTERS WERE IN EFFECT NOT CHALLENGING THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF THE STATE LAW WHICH GIVES RESTAURANT OPERATORS THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE CUSTOMERS, CONTENDING SUCH TESTS UNNECESSARY BECAUSE 1961 STATE LAW IN THIS INSTANCE NOT APPLICABLE TO AIRPORT RESTAURANT FACILITIES. [REDACTED] POINTED OUT RESTAURANT IS OWNED BY CITY OF

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TALLAHASSEE AND U. S. SUPREME COURT HAS RULED THAT LESSEES OF PUBLIC PROPERTY CANNOT SEGREGATE THE FACILITIES THEY LEASE. [REDACTED] CONTENDED THE ONLY ISSUE BEFORE USDJ CARSWELL WAS THAT AMERICAN NEWS COMPANY QUOTE UNDER COLOR OF STATE LAW UNQUOTE WAS UNLAWFULLY DENYING FOOD SERVICE TO NEGROES SOLELY BECAUSE OF THEIR RACE. [REDACTED] CITED SEVERAL PAST SUPREME COURT DECISIONS IN THIS REGARD IN HIS BRIEF. NO DATE FOR NEW HEARING HAS BEEN SET. CITY OF TALLAHASSEE AND AMERICAN NEWS COMPANY HAVE FIVE DAYS FROM INSTANT BRIEF TO FILE REPLY BRIEF. [REDACTED] MILITARY INTELLIGENCE PAREN CIC REPRESENTATIVE PAREN ADVISED OF ABOVE AND BUREAU WILL BE KEPT INFORMED OF PROGRESS INSTANT SUIT. LETTERHEAD MEMO FOLLOWS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *BM*

DATE: 7-20-61

FROM : A. Rosen *RS*

SUBJECT: FREEBUS

Tolson ☒
 Belmont ☐
 Mohr ☐
 Callahan ☐
 Conrad ☐
 DeLoach ☒
 Evans ☐
 Malone ☐
 Rosen ☒
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[redacted] juvenile residents of Jackson, Mississippi, who were arrested in Jackson bus depots, were afforded a hearing 7-19-61 in Hinds County Youth Court. All were adjudged to be delinquent. All were placed on one year probation and were released. [redacted] was arrested 7-7-61 and the others were arrested 7-9-61.

Two hundred forty-seven freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since 5-24-61. Ninety-nine have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines, one has been released without the filing of charges and four have been released on probation. One hundred thirty-nine remain in custody.

Rose Schorr Rosenberg [redacted] freedom riders from Los Angeles who were arrested at Jackson 7-15-61, have previously been reported to have records of Communist Party activities. On 7-19-61 M. B. Pierce, Chief of Detectives, Jackson Police Department, advised that he has received information through the office of Senator James Eastland of Mississippi concerning the Communist Party affiliations of Rosenberg and [redacted]. This information was based upon the records of the House Committee on Un-American Activities. Pierce contemplates releasing this information to the press and he stated that he has requested Senator Eastland's office to provide him with information concerning other freedom riders.

James Luther Bevel and [redacted] of the Jackson Nonviolent Movement were convicted in Jackson Municipal Court 7-19-61 on additional charges of contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Bevel was convicted on three counts and [redacted] was convicted on two counts. Each was sentenced to serve six months and was fined \$500 on each count, all sentences are to run consecutively. It is noted that on 7-18-61 Bevel and [redacted] were convicted on one count of contributing to the delinquency of a minor and each was sentenced to six months and fined \$500. The charges are based upon allegations that Bevel and [redacted] have caused minors to engage in sit-ins at Jackson.

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan

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Freedom Riders - Miami

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

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[redacted], Congress of Racial Equality, and [redacted] were arrested at Jackson [redacted] as they were picketing in front of the Heidelberg Hotel where a meeting of southern governors was being held. [redacted] were charged with breach of the peace when they failed to move on as instructed by the police. It was reported in the local press that seven southern governors or their representatives were meeting in Jackson with Governor Ross Barnett of Mississippi to discuss economic development of the South and current problems including "counteraction against outside forces straining at the South." It was said that the states of South Carolina, Arkansas, Alabama, Louisiana, Georgia, Florida and Mississippi would be represented.

The five freedom riders who left Chattanooga on 7-19-61 by Greyhound bus arrived at Memphis where they spent the night. They plan to leave Memphis by Greyhound bus at 12:40 p.m., 7-20-61, en route to Little Rock where they are scheduled to arrive at 5:10 p.m., Central Standard Time (7:10 p.m. Washington time), 7-20-61. Local authorities advised.

ACTION:

A memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

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Date: 7/24/61

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TO: DIRECTOR FBI

FROM: SAC NEW ORLEANS (157-352)

SUBJECT: FREEBUS

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Freedom Riders - Misc

On 7/21/61, Deputy [redacted] Hinds County SO,
Jackson, Miss., advised that following Freedom Rider prisoners
were released on \$500 cash appeal bond on 7/21/61:



On 7/22/61, [redacted] advised the following individuals
were released on \$500 cash appeal bond on 7/22/61:



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Date: 7/24/61

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Via AIRTEL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-275)

FROM: SAC, LITTLE ROCK (157-111)

RE: FREEBUS
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Re Little Rock teletype to Bureau and Newark, 7/21/61.

Enclosed to the Bureau are eight copies of a letter-head memorandum dated 7/24/61, and captioned "FREEDOM RIDERS, LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, JULY 20-21, 1961", copies of which furnished USA and CIC, Little Rock, and information copies to New York, St. Louis and Newark.

Little Rock Chief of Police ROBERT E. GLASSCOCK (NA) advised on July 24, 1961, that he had learned through the newspaper on July 22, 1961, of the departure of the fifth member of the group at 8:00 P.M. on July 21, 1961. Members of the group kept the Little Rock Office advised of their activities, including the departure of the two on July 20, 1961, and the departure of two more on the afternoon of July 21, 1961, but the Little Rock Office was not furnished any further information by [redacted] of CORE, who remained in Little Rock until 8:00 P.M. on July 21, 1961. His departure was not known until it appeared in the newspapers on July 22, 1961.

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- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 8)
- 1 - St. Louis (157-85) (Info.) (Enc. 1)
- 1 - New York (Info.) (Enc. 1)
- 1 - Newark (157-603) (Info.) (Enc. 1)
- 7 - Little Rock (157-111) (66-1537) (62-1537) (44-4425) (44-341) (44-487) (157-105)

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Agency [redacted]
 Req. Rec'd [redacted]
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 How Forw. [redacted]
 By [redacted]

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Approved: [redacted]

Special Agent in Charge

Sent [redacted]



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Farm Bureau Building
Seventh and High Streets
Little Rock, Arkansas
July 24, 1961

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FREEDOM RIDERS, LITTLE
ROCK, ARKANSAS, JULY 20-21,
1961

Little Rock Chief of Police ROBERT E. GLASSCOCK
furnished the following information:

On July 20, 1961, five male Freedom Riders, three whites and two Negroes, arrived unannounced at Little Rock, Arkansas, at 4:38 P.M. via bus at the Greyhound Bus Terminal, 6th and Broadway. The five were served at the lunch counter without incident. Two of the white members of the group departed Little Rock by plane at 8:50 P.M. on the same date without incident.

On July 21, 1961, the other three members of the group left Little Rock by plane without incident, two of them on a plane at 2:30 in the afternoon and the third at 8:00 P.M. on another plane. It appeared that Little Rock was the end of the Freedom Ride as the participants apparently returned to New York and vicinity.

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URGENT 7--26--61 6--30PM CST JC

TO DIRECTOR, FBI *Q* **FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS**
FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-264

FREEBUS. RM, CR. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY AS OF FOUR PM, JULY
TWENTYSIX - NO FR ARRESTED SINCE JULY TWENTYFIVE SUMMARY. TWENTY
EIGHT FR PRISONERS RELEASED ON FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS CASH APPEAL
BONDS NIGHT JULY TWENTYFIVE. IDENTITIES FOLLOW BY AIRTEL. FOUR
FR ARRESTED JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT JULY TWENTYFOUR, TRIED IN
JACKSON MUNICIPAL COURT, JULY TWENTYSIX. THREE WERE CONVICTED OF
VIOLATION SEC. TWO ZERO EIGHT SEVEN POINT FIVE, MISS. CODE, AND
SENTENCED TO FOUR MONTHS JAIL AND FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS. ONE,
LA MS
[REDACTED] WAS CONVICTED OF VIOLATION SEC. TWO ZERO EIGHT
NINE POINT FIVE, GENERAL BREACH OF PEACE STATUTE, AS HE HAD ENTERED
TERMINAL SEPARATELY AND LATTER STATUTE USED WHERE INDIVIDUAL IS
ARRESTED ALONE ON BREACH OF PEACE CHARGE. RECEIVED SAME SENTENCE
AS OTHER THREE. TOTAL ARRESTED TWO SEVEN ONE. RELEASED ON BOND
ONE FIVE THREE. PAID FINE FOUR. RELEASED TO ATTORNEY ONE.
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RELEASED ON PROBATION FOUR. *REC-16* IN CUSTODY ONE ZERO NINE. ALL FR
PRISONERS EATING AT JACKSON CITY JAIL AND HINDS COUNTY JAIL.

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FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-343)
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3 FREEDOM RIDERS - Miscellaneous
Remytels July 14, 18 and 19, 1961.Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies of a
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- 3 - Bureau (Encls. 8)
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New Orleans, Louisiana

July 24, 1961

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~~JACKSON NON VIOLENT MOVEMENT~~

On July 14, 1961 Chief of Detectives M. B. Pierce,
Police Department, Jackson, Mississippi, furnished the following
information:

~~MISS.~~ His department is preparing affidavits for the
arrest of [redacted] James Bevel, [redacted] and
[redacted] and proposes to arrest them on July 14, 1961.

The charge against the four will be conspiring to contribute to the delinquency of the minor freedom riders arrested at Jackson as a result of the sponsoring of these and organization of some of these rides originating in Jackson by the Jackson Non Violent Movement. The above four-named individuals are associated with the Jackson Non Violent Movement and act in an executive capacity in organizing these rides. Pierce said that some of the juveniles arrested for freedom rides originating in Jackson and their participation in some sit-in demonstrations had given signed statements to the effect that if they had to do over what they had done by participating in the rides and sit-ins, they would not do it and would not have done it if they had not been coached by people who are operating the Jackson Non Violent Movement. He said complaints have been made to the police and other people by the parents of these juveniles arrested that they had not been advised by the operators of the Jackson Non Violent Movement or by the persons who coached their children that they were to take part in the sit-ins. These parents would not sign complaints as they were afraid of repercussion from members of their own race. According to Pierce, a number of the juveniles arrested had been given \$2.00, fed their breakfast and then talked into participating in the demonstrations. Based on this information affidavits were filed against the above four persons charging them with contributing to the delinquency of a juvenile. The complaints are based on the state affidavit and signed by James L. Spencer, Acting Ex Officio, as Justice of the Peace, and the charges will be heard before him. According to Pierce, the sentence under this particular act is \$500 fine and six months in jail on each count.

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Subsequently, on July 14, 1961 Pierce advised that James Luther Bevel, 1142 Biloxi Street, Jackson, and [redacted] were arrested on the above charges. Bevel was charged on four counts relating to the following juveniles:

[redacted]
[redacted] Mississippi; B. APPROX. [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted] Mississippi; B. APPROX. [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted] Mississippi. [redacted]

[redacted] was charged on three counts pertaining to the following juveniles:

[redacted]
[redacted] was arrested at a sit-in demonstration at Walgreen's Drug Store, Jackson, [redacted] was arrested as a freedom rider at the Greyhound Bus Depot, [redacted] were arrested as freedom riders at the Trailways Bus Depot [redacted]

Pierce stated that [redacted] were out of the city and were not arrested. He also advised that his office holds a warrant for the arrest of [redacted] charging him with contributing to the delinquency of a minor. He said [redacted] was not in Jackson and was not arrested.

Pierce furnished the following descriptive data concerning Bevel and [redacted]

Name

Address

Home address

Race

Sex

Born

Height

Weight

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JAMES LUTHER BEVEL

JAMES LUTHER BEVEL

1142 Biloxi Street,

Jackson, Mississippi

Itta Bena, Mississippi

Negro

Male

October 19, 1936 at

Itta Bena, Mississippi

5'6"

128 pounds

Brown

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Hair
Occupation

Arrests

Black
Student - American Baptist
Seminary and Field
Secretary for the Congress
of Racial Equality
Admits arrest at Nashville,
Tennessee for sit-in and
stand-in in 1960 and 1961.
States both charges dis-
missed. Was arrested by
the Jackson Police Department
for breach of peace as a
freedom rider on May 24, 1961
and was fined \$200 and
given a 60-day suspended
sentence.

*(according to main file he
was Field Secretary 7501c)*

Name
Address

Home address

Race

Sex

Born

Height

Weight

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Occupation

Arrests

Admits arrest Nashville,
Tennessee for disorderly
conduct involving a Racial
Matter and fined \$50. Was
arrested Miami, Florida
for [redacted]

[redacted] This charge
was dismissed (no dates
given for above charges).
Was arrested Jackson, Miss.
Police Department [redacted]

[redacted] as a freedom rider
and charged with breach
of the peace. Was fined
\$200 and given a 60-day
suspended sentence.

On July 18, 1961 Pierce advised that Bevel was tried in Jackson Municipal Court July 18, 1961 on one count of contributing to the delinquency of a minor, a violation of Section 7185-13, Mississippi Code, which is a misdemeanor.

[redacted] was tried on one count of contributing to the delinquency of a minor in Jackson Municipal Court on July 18, 1961. Both were convicted after not guilty pleas and both sentenced to 6 months in jail and fined \$500. There were no incidents in connection with the above trial.

On July 19, 1961 Pierce advised that Bevel was tried in Jackson Municipal Court on July 19 on three counts of contributing to the delinquency of a minor and [redacted] was tried same date on two counts of contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Both were convicted after not guilty pleas on all counts and both were sentenced to 6 months in jail and fined \$500 on each count. All sentences were to run consecutively and there were no incidents in connection with this trial.

On July 21, 1961 Deputy [redacted] Hinds County Sheriff's Office, Jackson, Mississippi advised that [redacted] was released on three \$500 cash appeal bonds on July 21, 1961 and James Luther Bevel was released on four \$500 cash appeal bonds on July 21, 1961. According to [redacted] Bevel had indicated it was his intention to leave Jackson, Mississippi for New York City on July 22, 1961. He had no information concerning the plans of [redacted]

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (157-81)

SUBJECT: FREEDOM RIDERS, 1961
RACIAL MATTERS

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Remyairtel dated 7/17/61.

Enclosed herewith is the original and
seven copies of a letterhead memorandum relating
to the above.

Copies of this airtel with enclosures
are submitted to the first four Southern offices listed
in view of their continued interest in such matter.
Information copy is submitted to Little Rock as
Governor FAUBUS is from that division.

- 3 - Bureau (Encls. 8) (RM)
- 1 - Birmingham (Encl. 1) (RM)
- 1 - Mobile (157-96) (Encl. 1) (RM)
- 1 - New Orleans (157-264) (Encl. 1)
- 1 - Memphis (157-140) (Encl. 1) (RM)
- 1 - Little Rock (Encl. 1) (Info) (RM)
- 3 - Chicago

1 - [redacted]
1 - 100- (Dead Case) (Freedom
Action Committee of Chicago)

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(2 copies office)
Agency Chicago
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The sources utilized are [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (requested) respectively.

Careful consideration has been given to the sources concealed and these sources must be concealed.

The files of the Chicago Office contain insufficient information to subversively characterize the organization FACC.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

157-81

Chicago, Illinois
July 24, 1961

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FREEDOM RIDERS, 1961
RACIAL MATTERS

Reference is made to the letterhead memorandum captioned as above and dated July 17, 1961, at Chicago, Illinois.

A source advised on July 24, 1961, that on July 23, 1961, the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Club had as their guest speaker Arkansas Governor Orval Faubus. Governor Faubus spoke before this group at the Conrad Hilton Hotel, Loop, Chicago, Illinois.

At about 7:00 p.m. on July 23, 1961, about 50 demonstrators appeared and walked on the sidewalks outside the hotel, protesting the invitation to and the appearance of Governor Faubus. The demonstrators carried placards which said in effect "business women do not endorse Faubus or Jim Crow".

The demonstration consisted of about 30 Negroes and 20 white persons. The demonstrators also carried placards which urged the support of the Freedom Riders (FR).

The demonstration, which was peaceful and without incident, disbanded at about 10:00 p.m.

A second source advised on July 24, 1961, that the new Chicago organization Freedom Action Committee of Chicago (FACC) plans to hold a rally on July 30, 1961, for the purpose of raising funds for the FR.
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Freedom Riders, 1961

This source said the FACC plans to use the monies raised from this rally that will be held at 5301 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, for the purpose of recruiting and training FR in non-violent action.

G-2, Chicago, and the Chicago Police Department were advised of the above information on July 24, 1961.

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The first source utilized in referenced communication is [REDACTED]

The second source has had insufficient contact to determine his reliability but who is in a position of trust.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-225892)

DATE: 7/24/61

FROM : SAC, MEMPHIS (157-140)

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SUBJECT: FREEBUS
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FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS

On 7/17/61. [redacted]

Mississippi, telephonically advised SA GEORGE A. EVERETT of the receipt of two telegrams addressed to freedom riders incarcerated at the penitentiary, which appeared to him to be suspicious since they either relate to some activity planned in Algeria or are in code. The telegrams are as follows:

MISS. Western Union telegram received 10:15 p.m., 7/5/61. From MG CK PD FM TBX OCEANSIDE NEW YORK. addressed to [redacted] but probably intended for [redacted] who is at the penitentiary, and whose home address [redacted]

MISS. Massachusetts. The telegram reads: "ACTION TO BE DISCUSSED AUGUST FIFTEENTH WHEREBY SLOWDOWN TO STOP AT MOMENT UNDISCIOUS VALER ATTEMPT IN ALGERIA." It was signed [redacted]

The second telegram also came from Oceanside, New York and was addressed to [redacted] who is no longer at the penitentiary, having been released on bond, but concerning whom previous information has been submitted to the Bureau. This telegram reads "PRECEDE NO ACTION 32 W U. N. FIND MALTREATMENT IN ALGERIA," signed [redacted]

Since the name of addressee in first telegram was obviously misspelled, there being no such person as [redacted] at the penitentiary, it is possible that some of the wording of the telegram was incorrectly relayed to the penitentiary by the Western Union operator at Clarksdale, Mississippi. It is possible the Bureau may desire to have the original message checked for accuracy in the event it appears to have some significance of interest to the Bureau.

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Since the significance of these messages is not known to the Memphis Office and they may have no significance of interest to the Department, no letterhead memorandum is being prepared, but this matter is being called to the Bureau's attention for any action that may appear pertinent.

[redacted] further advised that [redacted] had received one or more letters from a girl in Europe who appears to be a member of a group of protest walkers who have staged a demonstration in England and are now on the continent after being refused permission to debark in France. The identity of the sender and more detailed information was not furnished by [redacted]

7/29/61

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TO SAC NEW ORLEANS

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

Freedom Riders Misc
FREEBUS, RM. RE MEMPHIS TELS JULY TWENTYEIGHT, INSTANT

CONCERNING TRAVEL WITH FREEDOM RIDERS BY [REDACTED]

pr [REDACTED] AND PAREN FNU PAREN PABEL. NEW ORLEANS

MAKE CERTAIN JACKSON POLICE DEPARTMENT IS ALERTED TO ALIEN

STATUS OF [REDACTED] AND PABEL. ALSO

ADVISE APPROPRIATE INS OFFICE COVERING JACKSON.

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MAKE CERTAIN JACKSON POLICE DEPARTMENT IS ALERTED TO ALIEN
STATUS OF [REDACTED] AND PABEL. ALSO
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-96)

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Freedom Riders - Misc.

ReMoTel to Bureau and SF 7/23/61 and SF teletype to MO 7/23/61.

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Cecil A. Thomas

For information NO, referenced MoTel advised that

[redacted] Montgomery, Ala., had interviewed an apparent leader of Freedom Rider group arriving in Montgomery, Ala. at 12:10 p.m., 7/23/61, via Trailways Bus. This individual stated he is CECIL THOMAS, Berkeley, Calif., YMCA official and former teacher of Negro private school. He is WM, approximately 50 years of age. THOMAS identified other 2 Freedom Riders as [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] also Berkeley, Calif. Two Negro males identified as [redacted] Pilgrim Congregational Church, San Francisco, Calif., and [redacted]

[redacted] American Friends Service Committee, 108 San Diego St., Daley City, Calif. Negro males departed Montgomery 1:45 p.m., 7/23/61, via Delta Airlines, ultimate destination San Francisco. Negro males made no attempt to test facilities, either at bus station or airport. White males sat at colored restaurant, Trailways Bus Station, Montgomery, and were served milk and cokes. No local publicity, no crowds and no incidents. Montgomery PD and AHP covered both bus station and airport.

For information Bureau and NO, SF teletype advised that the 7/23/61 issue of the San Francisco Chronical contained an article reflecting ORVILLE LUSTER, Daley City, Calif., Director of Youth for Service, and the Rev. JOHN WASHINGTON.

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Special Agent in Charge

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Pilgrim Congregational Church, San Francisco, were two of eight persons sentenced in Jackson, Miss. to 4 months in jail and fined \$200 on charge of Breaching the Peace. It indicated they were released 7/22/61 after payment of bonds pending appeal.

On 4/22/61 a San Francisco informant advised that at that time [redacted] Berkeley, had recently been thinking of going to Cuba. San Francisco Indices contain no record of [redacted] *LCB*

On 8/17/60, a pretext phone call to Stiles Hall, YMCA, University of California, Berkeley, revealed that a CECIL A. THOMAS, 962 Ordway, Albany, Calif., was then Associate Executive Secretary of Stiles Hall. He has not been the subject of investigation in San Francisco since no information has been received that he has been associated with any basic revolutionary group or active front group activity.

Records of the Berkeley Post Office, reviewed 8/15/60, revealed that Dr. CECIL THOMAS, 962 Ordway, Albany, Calif., was listed as a reference by the person who secured P.O. Box 885 on 6/20/60, in the name of the Bay Area Students Legal Aid Fund and was designated as one of the individuals to receive mail of this organization. A month following the riot at City Hall, San Francisco, during the HCUA Hearings, 5/12 through 14/60, there appeared in the Bay Area throwaway leaflets captioned "Bay Area Students Legal Aid Fund". These leaflets set forth that the purpose of the organization was to take steps to see that students arrested at the HCUA Hearings got the best possible legal defense when their cases came to trial. The leaflets requested contributions be sent to Bay Area Students Legal Aid Fund, Box 885, Berkeley, Calif.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *AB*

DATE: July 26, 1961

FROM : A. Rosen *RJR*SUBJECT: FREEBUS

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There have been no further arrests at Jackson, Mississippi. Two hundred seventy-one freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since 5/24/61. One hundred twenty-five have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines, one has been released without the filing of charges and four have been released on probation. One hundred thirty-seven remain in custody.

Miss,
 [redacted] who was arrested as a freedom rider at Jackson on 7/21/61, has been [redacted] of the Wisconsin Socialist Club (WSC), a student organization at the University of Wisconsin. [redacted] a meeting of WSC was held in [redacted] and those present included [redacted] of the Communist Party. The WSC has been active in protesting the Government's relations with Cuba.

[redacted] reportedly was a member of Friends of the Soviet Union Film and Photo League in 1949 and attended a luncheon held in April, 1960, for the purpose of raising funds for the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell. He also reportedly was an undercover leader for the Communist Party in a campaign to discredit the FBI. [redacted] has visited Russia on several occasions and has collaborated with the Russian government as an architect. He was active on the Architectural Committee of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship.

ACTION

A memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

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- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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Reporting Office NEW ORLEANS	Office of Origin NEW ORLEANS	Date 7/25/61	Investigative Period 6/13 - 28/61
TITLE OF CASE FREEDOM RIDE, 1961 ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI JUNE 20, 1961 <i>Freedom Riders Case</i>		Report made by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON	Typed By: dfs
		CHARACTER OF CASE RM; CR	

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AT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. Will report disposition of convicted Freedom Riders.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

An additional copy of this report is designated for the New Orleans Office in the event the Bureau instructs that a copy be furnished to the USA, Jackson.

Approved <i>[Signature]</i>	Special Agent In Charge	Do not write in spaces below	
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Copy to:

Report of: SA HUNTER E. HELGESON
Date: 7/25/61

Office: NEW ORLEANS

Field Office File No.: 157-310

Bureau File No.:

Title: FREEDOM RIDE, 1961
ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA TO
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI
JUNE 20, 1961
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Synopsis:

14 Freedom Riders, identified in details of report, arrived Jackson, Miss., via ICRR at 10:10 a.m., 6/20/61. All arrested by Jackson PD at ICRR Depot when they failed to obey the orders of Jackson PD officer to move on. All charged with breach of the peace. No incidents at time of arrest. All tried in Jackson Municipal Court, 6/20/61 and after NG pleas were convicted of violation of Section 2087.5, Miss. Code. All sentenced to 4 months in jail and fined \$200.00. No incidents during trial. All convicted Freedom Riders transferred to MSP, Parchman, Miss., 6/28/61.

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DETAILS:

Investigation in this case was predicated upon information furnished by [redacted] Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), Jackson, Mississippi, on June 13, 1961. He advised that a group of Freedom Riders were leaving from the West Coast for Jackson, Mississippi, via New Orleans, Louisiana, the latter part of the week. He had no other details.

On June 19, 1961, [redacted] CORE, New Orleans, Louisiana, advised SA JOSEPH E. PRESLEY that 14 Freedom Riders would leave New Orleans, Louisiana at 7:10 a.m., via ICRR, to arrive Jackson, Mississippi, 10:10 a.m., June 20, 1961.

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Information concerning this matter was furnished to the following individuals on June 19, 1961; by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON:

Chief of Detectives M. B. PIERCE, Police Department, Jackson, Mississippi.

Special Agent [REDACTED] Illinois Central Railroad, Jackson, Mississippi.

Sheriff J. ROBERT GILFOY, Hinds County, Jackson, Mississippi.

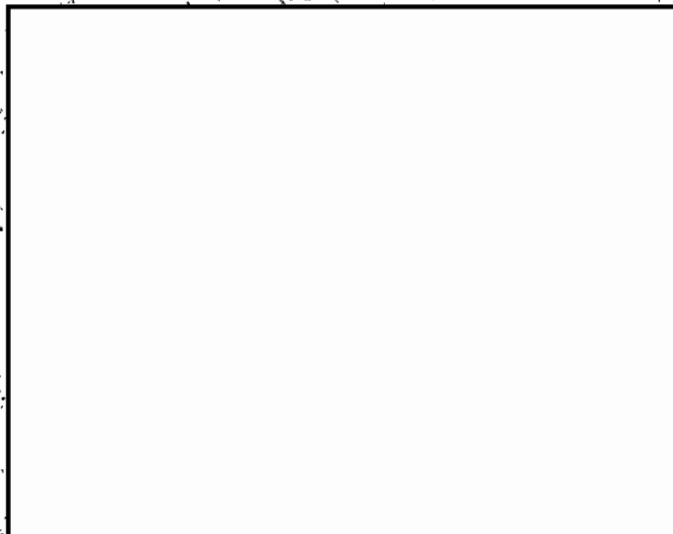
Colonel T. B. BIRDSONG, Commissioner, Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol, Jackson, Mississippi.

[REDACTED] CIC, Jackson, Mississippi.

On June 20, 1961, SA [REDACTED] advised Sheriff WILLIAM B. NOBLE, Madison County, Canton, Mississippi, and Chief of Police DAN THOMPSON, Canton, Mississippi, that 14 Freedom Riders en route from New Orleans, Louisiana on the Illinois Central Railroad, arriving Jackson, 10:10 a.m., June 20, 1961, had tickets through to Canton, Mississippi.

Date 6/26/61

On June 20, 1961, the following individuals were observed to board the Illinois Central Railroad train, The City of New Orleans, at the Union Passenger Terminal, New Orleans, Louisiana. They purchased tickets to Canton, Mississippi. They all seated themselves on Car #2621, which was Unit #8 of the train. They departed New Orleans at 7:15 a.m.:

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On 6/20/61 at New Orleans, La. File # 157-310
by SA JOSEPH E. PRESLEY /dfs Date dictated 6/20/61

Date 6/30/61

The following observations were made at the Illinois Central Railroad Depot, Jackson, Mississippi, on June 20, 1961:

ICRR train, the "City of New Orleans", arrived at 10:10 a.m. A group of 14 white and Negro individuals got off this train and entered the white waiting room at the depot as a group. They walked toward the front of the depot where they stopped and were addressed by Captain [redacted] of the Jackson Police Department. Subsequently, all were escorted from the waiting room by the Police Department to waiting patrol wagons.

There were no incidents in connection with the above matter.

On 6/20/61 at Jackson, Miss. File # 157-310

by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON /dfs Date dictated 6/27/61

Date 6/26/61

On June 20, 1961, between 9:55 a.m. and 10:20 a.m., I observed the waiting room at the ICRR Station in Jackson, Mississippi, which is reserved for white passengers. There were very few persons in the waiting room during this time, and several uniformed police officers of the Jackson Police Department were noted there along with Captain [redacted] who was in charge of the officers. At 10:10 a.m., the Illinois Central train, "City of New Orleans", arrived in Jackson and shortly thereafter a group of fourteen individuals, male and female, consisting of eleven white persons and three Negroes, entered this waiting room. They gathered in a group near the front of the waiting room and some sat down and others stood up. They were approached by Captain [redacted] who spoke to them several times. Captain [redacted] was then heard to tell the group they were all under arrest. This was at 10:14 a.m. Shortly after that, the group was led out of the station and into the police paddy wagon parked on the west side of the station, in the area where taxicabs load and unload passengers.

On 6/20/61 at Jackson, Miss. File # 157-310

by SA SAMUEL E. VIRDEN, II /dfs Date dictated 6/20/61

Date 6/26/61

The following observations were made at the Illinois Central Railroad Station, Jackson, Mississippi, on June 20, 1961:

At 10:11 a.m., a group of two Negro males and one Negro female, together with an unknown number of white males and females were observed to descend the stairway from the railroad tracks and to enter the white waiting room.

At 10:15 a.m., the above two Negro males and the above Negro females together with seven white males and four white females were observed after they had been taken into custody by officers of the Jackson Police Department. At the time of observation, these individuals were observed walking from the white waiting room in the passageway immediately north of this waiting room and were observed to walk down this passageway in a westerly direction to the alleyway on the west side of the Illinois Central Railroad Station where they were placed in the Jackson Police Department paddy wagon.

No incidents of any type were observed.

The above observations were made by SA [redacted] while standing near the entrance to the Negro waiting room in the passageway just north of the white waiting room from which position it was impossible to observe the actual arrest of the above individuals.

On 6/20/61 at Jackson, Miss. File # 157-310

by SA [redacted] /dfs Date dictated 6/20/61

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Chief of Detectives M. B. PIERCE, Police Department, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that the Freedom Riders, who are listed below, were arrested at 10:25 a.m., June 20, 1961, at the Illinois Central Railroad Depot, Jackson, Mississippi. He said they were all arrested by Captain [redacted] Jackson Police Department, after they had failed to obey his orders to move on. All were charged with breach of the peace. All had arrived on the 10:10 a.m. train from New Orleans, Louisiana and had entered the white waiting room of the ICRR Depot in Jackson. Some had sat on benches and others stood nearby. Chief PIERCE advised there were no incidents of any nature connected with the above arrests.

Chief PIERCE furnished the identities of the above Freedom Riders, together with descriptive data, from Police Department files as follows:

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted]
address - [redacted] Berkeley, Cali-
fornia. Race - [redacted] Sex - [redacted] Age - [redacted]
Date of birth - [redacted] Place of
birth - Los Angeles, California. Height - [redacted]
Weight - [redacted] Eyes - [redacted] Hair - [redacted]
Complexion - [redacted] Build - [redacted]
Occupation - Student. Marital Status - [redacted]
Father - [redacted]
Los Angeles, California. Mother - [redacted]
[redacted] same address as father. Education -
2 years college, Oakland College, California.
Admits - Member of CORE; member of NAACP;
Demonstration Freedom March at Democratic Con-
vention, Los Angeles, California; picketing
Paramount in San Francisco.

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address -
[redacted] Berkeley, California. Race -
[redacted] Sex - [redacted] Age - [redacted] Date of
birth - [redacted] Place of birth -
[redacted] Maine. Height - [redacted] Weight - [redacted]
Eyes - [redacted] Hair - [redacted] Complexion - [redacted]
[redacted] Build - [redacted] Occupation - Student
Marital Status - [redacted] Father - [redacted]

On 6/20/61 at Jackson, Miss. File # 157-310

by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON /dfs Date dictated 6/27/61

[redacted] cont'd:

address unknown. Mother [redacted]
[redacted] Maine [redacted]
Education - 4 years, University of California.
Admits - member of CORE; refused to state whether
or not she has taken part in demonstrations.

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address -
[redacted] Cali-
fornia. Race [redacted] Sex [redacted] Age [redacted]
Date of birth [redacted] Place of birth -
[redacted] Pennsylvania. Height [redacted]
Weight [redacted] Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted]
Complexion [redacted] Build [redacted] Occupation -
refused to say and also [redacted]
Marital Status - Refused. Father [redacted]

[redacted] Pennsylvania, Mother [redacted] (deceased).
Education - refused. Refused to answer if
member CORE, Communist Party, NAACP or if has
been arrested or taken part in any demonstrations.

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address -
[redacted] Berkeley, California. Race -
[redacted] Sex [redacted] Age [redacted] Date of birth -
[redacted] Place of birth [redacted]
Minnesota. Height [redacted] Weight [redacted]
Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted] Complexion -
[redacted] Build [redacted] Occupation - Student,
University of California. Marital Status -
[redacted] Father [redacted] (deceased).

Mother [redacted] (has remarried, does not know
name). Education - 4 years college, 3 years
graduate work University of California. Refused
to state whether or not has taken part in any
demonstrations; is member of CORE and NAACP;
refused to answer whether he is now or has been
member of Communist Party.

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address -
[redacted] Pennsylvania. Race -
[redacted] Sex [redacted] Age [redacted] Date of birth -
[redacted] Place of birth [redacted]
Pennsylvania. Height [redacted] Weight [redacted]
Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted] Complexion [redacted]

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Build [redacted] Occupation - Student. Youngstown University, Ohio. Marital Status [redacted] Father [redacted] same address. Mother - [redacted] same address. Education - High School and refused to answer. Prior arrests - Admits a prior arrest but refuses to give charge or location. Admits - is member of CORE, refuses to say whether member NAACP or Communist Party.

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address - Berkeley, California. Race - [redacted] Sex [redacted] Age [redacted] Date of birth - [redacted] Place of birth [redacted] Kansas. Height [redacted] Weight [redacted] Eyes - [redacted] Hair [redacted] Complexion [redacted] Build [redacted] Occupation [redacted] Marital Status - [redacted] Married. Father [redacted] California. Mother [redacted] Kansas. Education - 4 years college, Graduate work - University of New Mexico, Community of Ressurrection [redacted] Berkeley, California.

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address - Berkeley, California. Race [redacted] Sex [redacted] Age [redacted] Date of birth - [redacted] Place of birth - [redacted] Iowa. Height [redacted] Weight [redacted] Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted] Complexion [redacted] Build [redacted] Scars & Marks [redacted] Occupation [redacted] Marital Status [redacted] Father [redacted] Berkeley, California. Mother [redacted] Iowa. Education - one-half year college, Oakland City College, Oakland, California. Prior arrests - arrested NYC [redacted] Admits [redacted] member of CORE.

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[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address -
[redacted] Berkeley, California.
Race [redacted] Sex [redacted] Age [redacted]
Date of birth [redacted] Place of
birth [redacted] New Jersey. Height [redacted]
Weight [redacted] Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted]
Complexion [redacted] Build [redacted] Occupa-
tion - Student. Marital Status [redacted]
Father [redacted] deceased. Mother -

[redacted]
New Jersey. Education - 4 years college,
University of California. Admits - refused to
state whether or not had taken part in demon-
strations. Refused to state whether or not a
member of CORE, NAACP, or Communist Party.

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address -
[redacted] North Carolina.
Race [redacted] Sex [redacted] Age [redacted] Date of
birth [redacted] Place of birth -
[redacted] North Carolina. Height [redacted]
Weight [redacted] Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted]
Complexion [redacted] Build [redacted] Occupation -
Student. Marital Status [redacted] Father -

[redacted]
North Carolina. Mother [redacted]
same address as father. Education - 2 years
college, Duke University and San Francisco State.
Admits - is a member of CORE [redacted]

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address [redacted]
[redacted] Berkeley, California. Race [redacted]
Sex [redacted] Age [redacted] Date of birth [redacted]
[redacted] Place of birth [redacted]
[redacted] Michigan. Height [redacted] Weight [redacted]
[redacted] Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted] Complexion [redacted]
[redacted] Build [redacted] Occupation [redacted]
[redacted] Not at present
employed. Marital Status - Single. Father -

[redacted]
Michigan. Mother [redacted] same address.
Education - 4 years college, University of Mich.

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[redacted] cont'd:

Prior arrests - Arrested PD, Miami, Florida, sit-in. Arrested PD, Ann Arbor, Michigan, handing out pamphlets (racial). Admits - is a member of NAACP; member of CORE; refused to say whether or not [redacted]

[redacted] refused to answer if a member of Communist Party.

[redacted] AKA [redacted]
Jackson PD [redacted] address [redacted]
Berkeley, California. Race [redacted] Sex - [redacted]
[redacted] Age - [redacted] Date of birth [redacted]
[redacted] Place of birth [redacted] Maryland.
Height - [redacted] Weight [redacted] Eyes [redacted]
Hair [redacted] Complexion [redacted] Build - [redacted]
[redacted] Occupation - Student. Marital Status - [redacted]
[redacted] Father. [redacted]
[redacted] Los Angeles, California. Mother - [redacted]
[redacted] same address as father. Education - one and one-half years college, University of California. Admits - Is member of CORE; refused to state whether or not has taken part in sit-ins etc. Refused to state whether a member of Communist Party or NAACP.

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address [redacted]
[redacted] California. Race - [redacted]
[redacted] Sex [redacted] Age [redacted] Date of birth - [redacted]
[redacted] Place of birth [redacted]
[redacted] California. Height [redacted] Weight [redacted].
Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted] Com-
plexion [redacted] Build [redacted] Occupation - [redacted]
[redacted] Marital Status [redacted] Father - [redacted]
[redacted] deceased. Mother [redacted]
[redacted] deceased. Education - 4 years University of California. Prior arrests - refused to answer whether previously arrested. Admits - is a member of CORE; refused to answer whether or not he is a member of Communist Party; refused to answer whether or not he had taken part in any demonstrations.

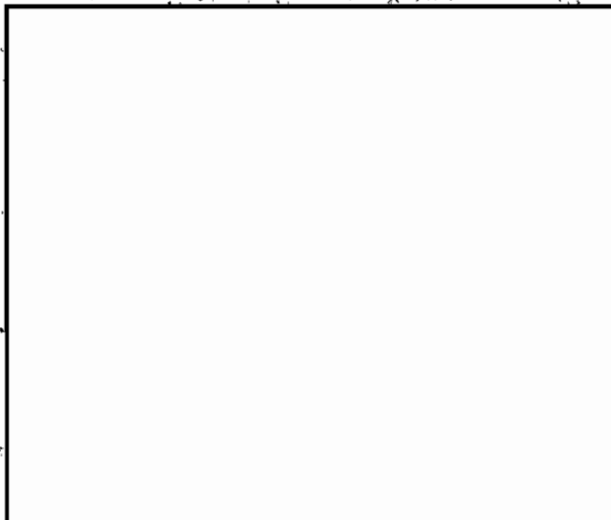
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address [redacted] Cali-
fornia. Race [redacted] Sex [redacted] Age [redacted]
Date of birth [redacted] Place of
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[redacted] Weight [redacted] Eyes [redacted] Hair -
[redacted] Complexion [redacted] Build -
[redacted] Occupation - Student. Marital Status -
[redacted] Father [redacted]
[redacted] Louisiana, street address unknown.
Mother [redacted]
[redacted] Louisiana. Education -
2 years college, University of Southern Cali-
fornia. Prior arrests - arrested New Orleans,
Louisiana - alimony. Admits - picketing in
New Orleans, Louisiana; picketing in Berkeley,
California, is a member of CORE.

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address-
[redacted] California.
Race [redacted] Sex [redacted] Age [redacted] Date of
birth [redacted] Place of birth -
[redacted] Texas. Height [redacted] Weight [redacted]
Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted] Complexion [redacted]
Build [redacted] Occupation - Student, University
of California, Berkeley, California. Marital
Status [redacted] Father [redacted]
(deceased). Mother [redacted] (refused to
give her address). Education - 6½ years college,
UCLA, University of California. Admits -
Picketing Woolworth's, Berkeley; member CORE
(Asst.); prior member NAACP; member of Catholic
Inter-Racial Council, San Francisco, California.

Date 6/30/61

Chief of Detectives M. B. PIERCE, Police Department, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that the following individuals were tried in Jackson Municipal Court, Jackson, Mississippi, at 3:00 p.m., June 20, 1961:



PIERCE stated that all of the above individuals were tried for a violation of Section 2087.5 of the Mississippi Code. All entered pleas of not guilty through their attorney, [redacted] Jackson, Mississippi. Captain [redacted] was the only witness called for the prosecution. No defense witnesses were called. All defendants were convicted and sentenced to four months in jail and fined \$200.00. According to PIERCE, some of the defendants would be transferred to the Hinds County Jail to serve out their sentences and fines and some would be housed in the Jackson City Jail to assist the Sheriff in overcoming crowded facilities at the County Jail. PIERCE advised there were no incidents during the course of the trial.

On 6/20/61 at Jackson, Miss. File # 157-310

by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON /dfs Date dictated 6/27/61

NO 157-310

On June 28, 1961, Sheriff J. ROBERT GILFOY, Hinds County, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that all 14 Freedom Riders, who had been arrested at the ICRR Depot, Jackson, Mississippi, 10:10 a.m., June 20, 1961, had been transferred to the Mississippi State Penitentiary, Parchman, Mississippi, on June 28, 1961.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office NEW ORLEANS	Office of Origin NEW ORLEANS	Date 7/25/61	Investigative Period 6/13 - 23/61
TITLE OF CASE FREEDOM RIDE, 1961 ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI JUNE 20, 1961		Report made by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON	Typed By: dfs
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NEW ORLEANS

AT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. Will report disposition of convicted Freedom Riders.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

An additional copy of this report is designated for the New Orleans Office in the event the Bureau instructs that a copy be furnished to the USA, Jackson.

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The Attorney General

July 31, 1961

Director, FBI

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FREEDOM RIDES 1961 MISC.
RACIAL MATTERS; DESTRUCTION OF
AIRCRAFT OR MOTOR VEHICLES; CIVIL RIGHTS

On July 29, 1961, our Memphis, Tennessee, Office learned that among a group of freedom riders scheduled to travel from Nashville, Tennessee, to Jackson, Mississippi, was one [redacted] who is attending college in this country. Appropriate representatives of the Department of State and the Immigration and Naturalization Service were promptly advised.

It later developed that the [redacted] was thought to be [redacted] and the Department of State advised the [redacted]. Unsuccessful telephonic efforts were reportedly made by embassy officials to dissuade the student from participating in the trip and he traveled to Jackson with the group which consisted of five white males and five white females. After having indicated that he was merely traveling as an observer with the group, the student entered the Negro waiting room with the other members of the party upon arriving at the bus station in Jackson on July 29, 1961.

Upon the desire of the Department of State to make appropriate Mississippi authorities aware of the identity of the student and the potentialities of the situation, our New Orleans, Louisiana, Office arranged for telephonic contact between the Captain of Detectives of the Jackson Police Department and a representative of the Department of State. As a result of this contact and through the excellent relations between our New Orleans Office and the Captain of Detectives, [redacted] was not arrested with the other members of his group in Jackson, Mississippi. In this connection it is noted that according to the Captain of Detectives, the student apparently desired to be arrested and did not wish to leave the bus station willingly. We have also been advised the Governor of Mississippi was initially in favor of arresting [redacted] but finally agreed with the Captain of Detectives not to arrest him since he was a visitor from a friendly nation.

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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The Attorney General

Also in the group was a white female [redacted]
and who was not placed under arrest by the Jackson authorities
[redacted]

It was learned at the time of this incident in Jackson that the student possessed only a few dollars. Arrangements are reportedly being worked out between the Jackson Police Department and the Department of State, together with the Indonesian Embassy, to provide funds for the student to travel to Washington, D. C.

The foregoing information was furnished to [redacted]
[redacted] of the Civil Rights Division on July 29 and 30, 1961.
We will continue to keep the Department advised of pertinent developments.

- 1 - Mr. Byron R. White
Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General
Burke Marshall
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General
Herbert J. Miller, Jr.

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RM; CR*Freedom Riders - MISSISSIPPI*

On 7/26/61, [redacted] Deputy, Hinds County SO,
Jackson, Miss., advised that the following Freedom Rider prisoners
were released on \$500 cash appeal bond each on the night of 7/25/61:

[redacted]
ROSE SCHORR ROSENBERG[redacted]
MELVIN LORENZO WHITE, II

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On 7/27/61 [redacted] Deputy, Hinds County SO,
Jackson, Miss., advised that the following Freedom Rider prisoners
were released on \$500 cash appeal bond each on the night 7/26/61:

[redacted]
CECIL A. THOMAS.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-NEW

FREEBUS. [REDACTED] CORE, JACKSON, MISS., ADVISED

TODAY THAT FOLLOWING FREEDOM RIDERS DUE TO ARRIVE,

NASHVILLE, TENN., EITHER JULY TWENTYSEVEN OR TWENTYEIGHT

TO TRAVEL TO JACKSON. BELIEVED FROM EAST COAST [REDACTED]

LAST NAMED REPORTEDLY [REDACTED] STUDENT IN US. ALSO

FOR INFO, ONE WHITE FEMALE IN ABOVE GROUP, NAME NOT KNOWN

TO [REDACTED] IS REPORTEDLY [REDACTED] MEMPHIS CONTACT APPROPRIATE

SOURCES, NASHVILLE, FURNISH NEW ORLEANS DETAILS.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI *FREEDOM RIDERS*
FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS /157-358/ 2P

FREE BUS. RE NEW ORLEANS PHONE CALL TU BUREAU TODAY. GREYHOUND
BUS FROM MEMPHIS ARRIVED JACKSON, MISS., TWELVE THIRTY EIGHT PM,
JULY TWENTY NINE. GROUP CONSISTING OF FIVE WHITE MALES AND FIVE
WHITE FEMALES GOT OFF BUS AND ENTERED COLORED WAITING ROOM AT
BUS TERMINAL. INCLUDED IN TEN WERE [] AND TWO MALES
FITTING DESCRIPTION OF [] STUDENT AND GERMAN CORRESPONDENT.
CHIEF OF DETECTIVES M. B. PIERCE, JACKSON PD, APPROACHED []
[] AND SPOKE TO HIM BRIEFLY, THEN TOGETHER WITH ANOTHER DETECTIVE
ESCORTED [] TO WAITING POLICE CARS AND TOOK HIM TO
PD HEADQUARTERS. [] WAS NOT ARRESTED. [] WAS NOT
ARRESTED, BUT WAS TAKEN SEPARATELY IN POLICE CAR TO PD HEADQUARTERS.
POLICE WILL ATTEMPT TO CONTACT SOME OF HER RELATIVES AND MADE ARRANGE-
MENTS TO HAVE HER RETURNED TO HOME. IF UNABLE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS
FOR HER RETURN, WILL PLACE HER IN [] JACKSON.
FOUR WHITE FEMALES AND THREE WHITE MALES WERE ARRESTED AS GROUP IN
COLORED WAITING ROOM AND ESCORTED TO POLICE PADDY WAGON, THEN TAKEN
TO PD HEADQUARTERS. GERMAN CORRESPONDENT WHO HAD ENTERED COLORED
WAITING ROOM WITH GROUP TOOK PHOTOS IN WAITING ROOM OF GROUP AND
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ALSO PHOTOGRAPHED GROUP BEING PLACED IN PADDY WAGON AND LEAVING
IN PADDY WAGON. CAPTIAN [REDACTED] OF PD ADVISED CORRESPONDENT
PROTESTED TO POLICE THAT HE SHOULD BE ARRESTED ALSO AS HE WAS IN
GROUP. CORRESPONDENT ATTEMPTED TO ENTER PADDY WAGON WITH THOSE
ARRESTED. POLICE TOLD HIM HE WAS NOT UNDER ARREST. AFTER PADDY
WAGON DEPARTED, CORRESPONDENT HUNG AROUND BUS DOCK SEVERAL MINUTES,
THEN WALKED TO COLORED WAITING ROOM BY HIMSELF. CAPTAIN [REDACTED]
FOLLOWED HIM IN AND WAS OBSERVED SPEAKING TO HIM. THEN [REDACTED] ES-
CORTED HIM TO POLICE CAR, AND CORRESPONDENT TAKEN TO PD HEADQUARTERS.

[REDACTED] LATER ADVISED HE ORDERED CORRESPONDENT TO MOVE ON AND WHEN
HE REFUSED TO DO SO, PLACED HIM UNDER ARREST. TOTAL ARRESTED IN
THIS GROUP WERE FOUR WHITE MALES AND FOUR WHITE FEMALES. ALL
CHARGED BREACH OF PEACE. IDENTITIES FOLLOW BY TELETYPE.

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FROM SAC, SEATTLE 1PO

FREEDOM RIDERS

FREEBUS, RM. RE SETEL SEVEN TWENTY EIGHT LAST. SEATTLE INS

RECORDS REFLECT [REDACTED] DOB. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ENTERED US IN FIFTY SIX TO ATTEND
SANTA ROSA CALIFORNIA JUNIOR COLLEGE, ON SCHOLARSHIP FROM INSTITUTE OF
INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION. IN FIFTY SEVEN HE TRANSFERRED TO AMERICAN
UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, D. C., AND THEREAFTER IN FIFTY EIGHT TRANSFERRED
TO UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON IN SEATTLE. LAST SEATTLE ADDRESS SAME AS
LISTED IN RETEL. NO PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION INS. RUC.

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Freedom Riders - 1015331-2005

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC-S NEW ORLEANS AND DALLAS
FROM SAC, LOS ANGELES /- 157-367/

y. FREEBUS RE LOS ANGELES TEL JULY TWENTYEIGHT INSTANT. FREEDOM RIDERS
DEPARTED VIA DELTA AIRLINES PER REFERENCED TEL. NO INCIDENTS SURROUND-
ING DEPARTURE. TOTAL OF FIFTEEN DEPARTED. [REDACTED]
CANCELLED OUT AND ONE FNU [REDACTED] ADDED. NO ADDITIONAL IDENTIFICATION
AVAILABLE RE [REDACTED] AND LA UNABLE TO IDENTIFY IN INDICES.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, NEW ORLEANS

FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /157-140/ 2P

FREEBUS, RM. REMYTEL JULY TWENTYEIGHT, SIXTYONE. THE NINE
INDIVIDUALS NAMED RETEL LEFT NASHVILLE, TENN., ONE TWENTY AM ON
GREYHOUND BUS, WILL ARRIVE MEMPHIS, TENN., SIX FIFTY AM SCHEDULED

LEAVE MEMPHIS SEVEN THIRTY AM ENROUTE JACKSON, MISS., TO ARRIVE
TWELVE FORTY-FIVE PM. HERMAN PABEL, MUNICH, GERMANY, CLAIMS

TO BE CORRESPONDENT FOR QUICK MAGAZINE IN GERMANY. WILL TRAVEL
AS OBSERVER. DOES NOT PLAN TO TEST FACILITIES, IS WM, FIVE
FEET SIX INCHES, ONE TWO ZERO LBS., WEARING LIGHT BLUE SUIT,

HAS LONG BLOND HAIR. [REDACTED]

ALSO ON BUS BUT STATES IS GOING ONLY AS OBSERVER. AT REQUEST OF

[REDACTED] STATE DEPARTMENT. 772

HE WAS REQUESTED TO TALK TO HIS FATHER AT [REDACTED] 1 1961

PHONE [REDACTED] WDC, PRIOR TO LEAVING.

AFTER TALKING WITH SOMEONE AT THIS NUMBER HE DECIDED TO LEAVE
ANYHOW. [REDACTED] WAS ADVISED OF THIS DEVELOPMENT AND FURTHER

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THAT GROUP WOULD HAVE FORTY MINUTE LAYOVER IN MEMPHIS WHERE ANOTHER
CONTACT MIGHT BE MADE WITH HIM. HE IS DESCRIBED AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FEET [REDACTED]

INCHES, [REDACTED]

LBS., [REDACTED]

HAIR, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] COMPLEXION, WEARING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SHOES.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, MEMPHIS /157-140/

FROM SAC, SEATTLE

FREEBUS, RACIAL MATTERS. REURTEL TODAY.

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HAS TENTATIVELY BEEN IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED] STUDENT WHO
ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON LAST FALL AS AN ECONOMICS
STUDENT. INQUIRY AT FORMER RESIDENCE UNDER SUITABLE PRETEXT DIS-
CLOSE THAT HE HAD MOVED WITHIN THE LAST SIX MONTHS BUT IS BELIEVED
TO STILL MAINTAIN A MAILING ADDRESS IN [REDACTED]

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON RECORDS AND INS RECORDS NOT AVAILABLE
UNTIL TOMORROW AM. NO RECORD SE INDICES OR SEPD. INS RECORDS
WILL BE CHECKED JULY TWENTY-NINE NEXT AND PERTINENT DATA WILL BE
FURNISHED IMMEDIATELY TO BUREAU AND MEMPHIS.

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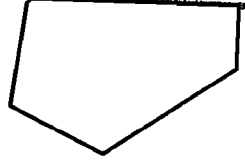
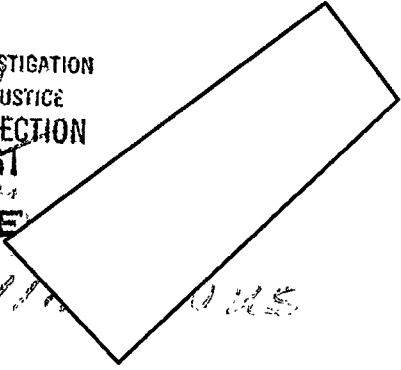
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI SACS NEW ORLEANS, DALLAS, AND HOUSTON
FROM SAC LOS ANGELES 157-367

FREEBUS. RE LOS ANGELES TEL TODAY. FREEDOM RIDERS HAVE
RESERVATIONS FOR SIXTEEN DEPARTING LOS ANGELES TWO THIRTY
A.M., TWENTY NINTH NEXT, VIA DELTA AIRLINES FLIGHT EIGHT
TWO ZERO, ARRIVING DALLAS SIX TWENTYTWO A.M., DEPARTING DALLAS
SEVEN ZERO FIVE A.M., FLIGHT SEVEN ZERO EIGHT, ARRIVING NEW
ORLEANS EIGHT FOUR FOUR A. M., TWENTYNINTH.

[REDACTED] HAVE CANCELLED OUT. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES,
[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES AND
[REDACTED] NO ADDRESS, ADDED TO GROUP. NO SUBVERSIVE

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AFFILIATION IN LOS ANGELES INDICES ON [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] NOT SUFFICIENT BACKGROUND ON [REDACTED] TO
IDENTIFY IN INDICES. [REDACTED] IS LEADING GROUP.

FOR INFO HOUSTON AND DALLAS, GROUP PLANS NO TEST OF LOCAL
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SEGREGATION LAWS EN ROUTE. GROUP WILL RECEIVE FOUR DAY
INDOCTRINATION COURSE NEW ORLEANS AND THEN PROCEED TO
JACKSON, MISS. BY TRAIN OR BUS. LOS ANGELES WILL VERIFY
DEPARTURE AND SUTEL.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC-S NEW ORLEANS, SEATTLE AND WFO
FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /157-140/ *Freedom Riders -*
Mississippi
FREEBUS, RM. REMYTEL TODAY. [REDACTED] STUDENT, CENTRAL
COMMITTEE, NASHVILLE, TENN., ADVISED THAT ONLY INFO AVAILAB
CONCERNING FNU PABEL IS THAT HE CAME TO OFFICE OF NCLC THIS
DATE, INTRODUCED HIMSELF AS A CORRESPONDENT FOR A MAGAZINE FROM
WEST BERLIN, INDICATED HE DESIRED TO TRAVEL AS AN OBSERVER WITH
A GROUP OF FREEDOM RIDERS TO JACKSON, MISS. HE WAS ADVISED BY
STUDENT CENTRAL COMMITTEE THAT A GROUP WOULD LEAVE AT ONE AM
JULY TWENTYNINE, NEXT, BY BUS. HE INDICATED HE WOULD ACCOMPANY
GROUP AND LEFT OFFICE. [REDACTED] DOES NOT KNOW WHERE HE IS
STAYING HAS NO OTHER INFO AND STATES PABEL WILL NOT TEST ANY
FACILITIES BUT MERELY PLANS TO TRAVEL WITH GROUP AS AN
OBSERVER IN ORDER TO OBTAIN A STORY FOR HIS MAGAZINE. [REDACTED]
ALSO ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]
STUDENT, IS ALSO PLANNING TO TRAVEL AS AN OBSERVER AND DOES
NOT INTEND TO TEST FACILITIES. [REDACTED] STATES WILL BE UNABLE
TO FURNISH FURTHER INFO RE PABEL UNTIL AFTER ONE AM, JULY-
TWENTYNINE, NEXT, AS WILL NOT SEE PABEL UNTIL BUS LEAVES.
MEMPHIS FOLLOWING AND WILL ADVISE BUREAU AND INTERESTED
OFFICES.

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Freedom Riders - Miscellaneous

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /157-264/ 1P

FREEBUS. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY AS OF FOUR PM, JULY TWENTYEIGHT.
NO FREEDOM RIDERS-ARRESTED AND NO FREEDOM RIDER PRISONERS RELEASED
ON BOND OR OTHERWISE SINCE JULY TWENTYSEVEN SUMMARY. TOTAL
ARRESTED TWO HUNDRED SEVENTYONE. RELEASED ON BOND ONE HUNDRED
FIFTYSEVEN. PAID FINE FOUR. RELEASED TO ATTORNEY ONE. RELEASED
ON PROBATION FOUR. NET IN CUSTODY ONE HUNDRED AND FIVE. ALL
FR PRISONERS EATING AT HINDS COUNTY JAIL. NO FR PRISONERS
CURRENTLY CONFINED JACKSON CITY JAIL.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /157-264/ 1P

FREEBUS. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY AS OF FIVE PM, JULY TWENTY SEVEN..

NO FR ARRESTED SINCE JULY TWENTYSIX SUMMARY. FOUR FR PRISONERS
RELEASED BOND NIGHT JULY TWENTYSIX. IDENTITIES FOLLOW BY AIRTEL.

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AT HINDS COUNTY JAIL. NO FR PRISONERS PRESENTLY IN CUSTODY JACKSON
CITY JAIL.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI, SAC-S NEW ORLEANS, SEATTLE, WFO
FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /157-140/ 2P

FREEBUS, RACIAL MATTERS. [REDACTED] STUDENT CENTRAL
COMMITTEE, /NASHVILLE, TENN., TODAY ADVISED NINE FREEDOM
MISCELLANEOUS RIDERS /SCHEDULED TO LEAVE NASHVILLE, TENN., ONE A. M.,
JULY TWENTYNINE NEXT BY GREYHOUND BUS ENROUTE JACKSON,
MISS., VIA MEMPHIS, TENN. AMONG GROUP WILL BE [REDACTED]

*INDONESIA
TENN
MISS*

[REDACTED] WHO IS IN THE
UNITED STATES AS A STUDENT. ADDRESS GIVEN AS [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] SEATTLE, WASH. ALSO IN GROUP WILL BE
ONE PAREN FNU END PAREN PABEL, A GERMAN CORRESPONDENT WHO
[REDACTED] BELIEVES IS AN ALIEN AND WHOM HE STATES CAME TO THE
UNITED STATES FROM USRAEL WHERE HE HAS BEEN COVERING THE
EICHMANN TRIAL . EFFORTS BEING MADE BY MEMPHIS TO CONTACT
SOURCES WHO CAN GIVE MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION CONCERNING

*ISRAEL
GARY
TENN.
MISS*

THESE INDIVIDUALS. INS, MEMPHIS, BEING ADVISED. OTHERS IN
GROUP ARE [REDACTED] ADDRESS [REDACTED]

*MISS
TENN*

[REDACTED] N.Y., N. Y., [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MASS., [REDACTED]

ADDRESS [REDACTED] N. Y., PAREN [REDACTED] END PAREN,

[REDACTED] CALIF,

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MASS. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] N. Y., AND [REDACTED]

Miss
[REDACTED] ADDRESS NOT FURNISHED. IN FURNISHING INFORMATION
[REDACTED] WHO IS ACTIVE IN FREEDOM RIDER MOVEMENT INQUIRED AS TO
WHETHER OR NOT ARRESTS OF THE TWO ALIENS MIGHT NOT CAUSE AN
INTERNATIONAL INCIDENT. CONTACTING AGENT ANSWERED THAT
THIS COULD NOT BE COMMENTED ON AS IT WAS MORE PROPERLY
A QUESTION FOR THE STATE DEPARTMENT. SEATTLE ADVISE BUREAU
OF ANY INFORMATION ON [REDACTED] WFO ASCERTAIN IF
ANY INFORMATION ON EITHER [REDACTED] IS AVAILABLE THROUGH STATE
DEPARTMENT. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL BE FURNISHED WHEN
AVAILABLE.

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On 7/25/61 Deputy Sheriff [redacted] Hinds County Sheriff's Office, Jackson, Miss., furnished the following info on 7/25/61:

On 7/23/61, the following individuals were released each on \$500 cash appeal bond:

[redacted]

MISS
On 7/24/61, the following individuals were each released on \$500 cash appeal bond:

[redacted]

MISS
On 7/25/61, the following Freedom Riders prisoners confined to the jails at Jackson, Miss. were transferred to the Miss. State Penitentiary, Parchman, Miss.:

[redacted]

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		CHARACTER OF CASE RM; CR	

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LEADS:NEW ORLEANS

AT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. Will report disposition of
convicted Freedom Riders.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

An additional copy of this report is designated for the
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be furnished the USA, Jackson.

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Character: RACIAL MATTERS; CIVIL RIGHTS

Synopsis:

4 Freedom Riders, identified in details of report, arrested by Jackson PD at Trailways Bus Terminal, 6/23/61, when they failed to obey the orders of Jackson PD officer to move on. All charged with breach of the peace. No incidents at time of arrest. All tried in Jackson Municipal Court, 6/26/61, and after NG pleas were convicted of violation of S. 2087.5, Miss. Code. All sentenced to 4 months in jail and fined \$200. No incidents during trial. 3 Freedom Riders released on bond, 6/27/61. Fourth transferred to MSP, Parchman, Miss., 7/3/61.

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DETAILS:

Investigation in this case was predicated upon information furnished by Chief of Detectives M. B. PIERCE, Police Department, Jackson, Mississippi, on June 23, 1961. He advised that he had just received a phone call from a member of the local press advising him they had been tipped that 4 Freedom Riders would attempt to leave Jackson, Mississippi at the Trailways Bus Terminal in approximately ten minutes from the time of the call.

Date 7/7/61b6
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The following observations were made at the Trailways Bus Terminal, Jackson, Mississippi, June 23, 1961:

At 2:25 p.m., two Negro males and two Negro females entered the Pascagoula Street entrance of the white waiting room as a group and walked inside the terminal a distance of about fifteen feet from the door. At this point, they stopped and Captain [] of the Jackson Police Department was observed to go over to the group and speak to them. Shortly thereafter, all four in the group were escorted from the Trailways Bus Terminal by Jackson Police officers and placed in a patrol wagon.

There were no incidents in connection with the above matter.

On 6/23/61 at Jackson, Miss. File # 157-317
by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON /dfs Date dictated 6/30/61

Date 7/7/61

Chief of Detectives M. B. PIERCE, Jackson Police Department, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that the four Freedom Riders, listed below, were arrested at the Trailways Bus Terminal, Jackson, Mississippi, at 2:25 p.m., June 23, 1961. He said all four had entered the white waiting room of the terminal as a group and when ordered by Captain [] of the Police Department to move on, they had refused to move. At this point, Captain [] placed them all under arrest on a charge of breach of the peace. Chief PIERCE advised that there were no incidents in connection with the arrests. He said that when questioned later by detectives, the Freedom Riders told him they had intended to go into the waiting room and purchase bus tickets to New Orleans, Louisiana.

PIERCE advised that Police Department records contain the following information concerning those arrested:

[] Jackson PD []
address - Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi
[] Mississippi.
[] Race [] Sex [] Age []
Date of birth - [] Place of birth -
[] Mississippi. Height []
Weight [] Eyes [] Hair []
Complexion [] Build [] Occupation -
Student, Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi.
Marital Status [] Father []
[] (deceased). Mother -
[] (deceased). Education - High
School and 3 years of college, Tougaloo College,
Mississippi. Admits - Member of NAACP.

[] Jackson PD [] address -
[] Texas and
Tougaloo, Mississippi. Race [] Sex -
[] Age [] Date of birth []
[] Place of birth - [] Texas.
Height [] Weight [] Eyes []
Hair - Black. Complexion - Light brown. Build -
[] Occupation - Student, Tougaloo College
Tougaloo, Mississippi. Marital Status []
Father []

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[redacted] cont'd:

[redacted] San Antonio. Mother [redacted]
[redacted] same address as father. Education -
3 years college.

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address [redacted]
[redacted] Mississippi. Race - [redacted]
Sex [redacted] Age [redacted] Date of birth - [redacted]
[redacted] Place of birth [redacted] Mississippi.
Height [redacted] Weight [redacted] Eyes [redacted]
Hair [redacted] Complexion [redacted] Build -
[redacted] Occupation - Unemployed. Marital
Status [redacted] Father [redacted]
[redacted] Mississippi. Mother [redacted]
same address as father. Education - 1 year
college, Tougaloo College; 2 years business -
Nashville.

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address - [redacted]
[redacted] Tennessee. Race - [redacted]
Sex [redacted] Age [redacted] Date of birth - [redacted]
[redacted] Place of birth [redacted]
Mississippi. Height [redacted] Weight [redacted]
Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted] Complexion [redacted]
Build [redacted] Occupation - Student, A & I
State University. Nashville, Tennessee.
Marital Status [redacted] Father [redacted]
[redacted] Mississippi.
Mother [redacted] same address as father.
Education - 3 years college, A & I State Uni-
versity, Nashville, Tennessee. Admits - Sit-in
stand-in, Nashville, Tennessee [redacted] Member
NAACP; [redacted]

Date 7/7/61

[redacted] Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), advised that at about 2:00 p.m., June 23, 1961, he was contacted by the four Freedom Riders who were subsequently arrested at the Trailways Bus Terminal on that date. They told him they intended to enter the white waiting room of the Trailways Bus Terminal and attempt to purchase tickets to New Orleans, Louisiana. He said they were all Negroes from the Jackson area and wanted to point out to the public that the Negroes of Jackson were not as complacent regarding the Freedom Rides as the local authorities might think. He said they anticipated arrest.

[redacted] advised that he called the press shortly before the Freedom Riders arrived at the Trailways Bus Terminal.

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by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON /dfs Date dictated 6/30/61

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Chief of Detectives M. B. PIERCE, Jackson Police Department, advised that the following individuals were tried in Jackson Municipal Court, Jackson, Mississippi, at 3:00 p.m., June 26, 1961:



PIERCE stated that all of the above individuals were tried for violation of Section 2087.5 of the Mississippi Code. All entered pleas of not guilty through their attorney, [redacted] Jackson, Mississippi. Captain [redacted] Police Department, was the only witness called for the prosecution. No defense witnesses were called. All defendants were convicted and sentenced to four months in jail and fined \$200. According to PIERCE, all of the defendants would be transferred to the Hinds County Jail to serve out their sentences and fines.

PIERCE advised there were no incidents during the course of the trial.

On 6/26/61 at Jackson, Miss. File # 157-317

by SA [redacted] /dfs Date dictated 6/30/61

NO 157-317

On June 27, 1961, Sheriff J. ROBERT GILFOY, Hinds County, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that the following individuals were released on \$500 cash appeal bond on June 26, 1961:



On July 3, 1961, Sheriff GILFOY advised that [redacted] was transferred from the Hinds County Jail, Jackson, Mississippi, to the Mississippi State Penitentiary, Parchman, Mississippi, on July 3, 1961.